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BIRTHS.

COGHLAN—December 30, 1940, at St. Teresa's Nursing Home, Tipperary, to Augusta, wife of Charles A. Coghlan, Station road, Maryborough, a daughter.

FAGAN—December 2, 1940, at Reading, to Wing-Commander and the Hon. Mrs. Fagan, a son.

SILVER WEDDING.

WALSHE and O'DONNELL—December 27, 1915, at Holy Trinity Church, Rathmines, by the Rev. A. E. Hughes, assisted by the Rev. E. H. Lewis Crosby, Arthur Charles, R. Inniskilling Fusiliers, son of the late James E. Walshe, Blackhall, Balbriggan, and Mrs. Walshe, Tower House, Santry, to Ruby Emily, daughter of the late William H. and Mrs. O'Donnell, 35 Palmerston road, Dublin.

DEATHS.

BUTLER—December 29, 1940, in a nursing home, at Hove, Colonel Sydney George Butler, D.S.O., R.A.M.C. (retired).

CULSHAW—New Year's Day, January 1, 1941, at Johnstown, Co. Kildare, Mary Culshaw, second daughter of the late William Culshaw, of Liverpool and Formby.

EVELEGH—December 27, 1940, suddenly, at Guisborough Hall, Lieutenant Colonel E. D. Evelegh, M.C., R.A., late R.H.A.

GOODWIN—January 2, 1941, at Cranaghan, Ballyconnell, Co. Cavan, Maria Goodwin. Funeral 2 p.m. to-morrow (Saturday).

HASLAM—January 2, 1941, suddenly, at Elm View, Birr, Robert Whitten Haslam, aged 67 years. Funeral arrangements later.

KANE (Drogheda)—January 2, 1941, William Andrew, son of the late James Kane, Colte, aged 69. Funeral from Colte Church to-morrow (Saturday), January 4, at 2.30 o'clock.

LAMBERT—January 1, 1941, at his residence, 3 Grantham place, S.C. road, Patrick Lambert. Funeral to-day (Friday), 1 o'clock, from John's lane Chapel, Thomas street.

STEWART—December 28, 1940, at Dunoon, Argyllshire, Lieut.-Colonel James Sutherland Stewart, T.D., Dungorm, Paisley, late of 5th A. and S.H., and of Macdonald Stewart and Co., C.A., Glasgow, in his 67th year.

TWADDLE—January 1, 1941, at his residence, Nappagh House, Longford, Edward Twaddle, in his 89th year. Peace, perfect peace. Funeral to-day (Friday) at 2 o'clock (S.T.) to Ardagh Cemetery.

WATT—November 30, 1940, at Nakuru, Kenya, of heart failure, after an operation, Captain Henry Laing Russell Watt, of Ettrick Estate, Eldama Ravine, late Seaforth Highlanders and Egyptian Camel Corps.

WHITE—January 2, 1941 (suddenly), at her residence, Palm Ville, Albert road, Glenageary, Elsie Norah, darling wife of John White. Funeral private. No flowers, by request. "Peace, perfect peace." English and American papers, please copy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this Column will be found on Page 4.

IN MEMORIAM.

COOKE—Twelfth Anniversary—January 3, 1929. In loving remembrance of dear mammie. "Resting where no shadows fall."—Vera and Doris.

KEATING—In ever-loving memory of my beloved husband (Willie), who died on January 3, 1940. Dearly loved and sadly missed. "Come unto Me all ye that labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest."

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NEVILLE — In ever-loving memory of Katherine Jane Neville, who died 3rd January, 1938.—G. C. S. and E. V. N.

O'REILLY—In precious memory of our beloved Alice, who entered into Rest 3rd January, 1934.—Ethel.

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Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 30 and 31 Vic., Cap. 54, that the above-named Deceased, who died on the 9th February, 1940, by her Will, dated 4th June, 1938, made the following charitable bequests, free of Legacy Duty, payable on the death of her sister, Miss Martha Baldrick:—

£500 to the Treasurer for the time being of All Saints' Parish Church of Ireland, Newtowncunningham, County Donegal, to apply the income thereof towards the repair of said All Saints' Parish Church of Ireland, and towards the assessment of the Parish of All Saints in connection with the said All Saints' Parish Church of Ireland.

£100 to the Treasurer for the time being of said All Saints' Parish Church of Ireland, Newtowncunningham, Co. Donegal, upon Trust for the Donegal Protestant Orphan Society, to be used and applied for the general purposes of the said society in the County of Donegal.

£300 to the Treasurer for the time being of the Royal United Kingdom Beneficent Association, Aldine House, Bedford street, Strand, London, upon Trust to apply the income thereof in granting annuities to or affording temporary help to persons in urgent distress.

£100 to the Treasurer for the time being of the Irish Distressed Ladies' Fund, No. 6 Merrion square, Dublin, to be used and applied for the Irish Distressed Ladies' Fund.

£200 to the Treasurer for the time being of Church Missionary Society in connection with the Church of Ireland, 35 Molesworth street, Dublin, to be used and applied for Foreign Missions.

£300 to the Treasurer for the time being of Dr. Barnardo's Homes, of Stepney Causeway, London, to be used and applied for augmentation of their funds

£100 to the Salvation Army, to be used and applied for its general religious purposes, and to be paid with that object to the Custodian Trustee of the Salvation Army at its International Headquarters in London.

Probate of said Will was, on the 11th day of September, 1940, granted at the Principal Probate Registry, High Court of Justice in Eire, to Ellen Wallace Baldrick, of Roughan, Newtowncunningham, County Donegal, Spinster, and Finlay Logan Todd, of Londonderry, Solicitor, the Executors named in the said Will.

Dated this 23rd day of December, 1940.
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To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests, and all others whom it may concern.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE BEQUESTS.
In the Goods of
EMMANUEL LOUIS DE LOISY, late of 21 Nutley Park, Stillorgan road, Donnybrook, in the County of Dublin, Esquire, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 30 and 31 Vic., Cap. 54, Section 19, that the above-named deceased who, by his last Will, dated the 6th day of October, 1940, bequeathed the following charitable legacies:—

£250 to the Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, for the benefit of Foreign Missions.

£400 to the St. Vincent de Paul Society having their central office in Dublin for the benefit of the Poor.

£100 to the Parish Priest for the time being of Donnybrook for Masses for the Repose of the Soul of Deceased, said Masses to be said in Ireland and in Public.

£100 to the Parish Priest of Donnybrook for Masses for the Repose of the Soul of the deceased's late father, Edouard de Loisy, deceased, said Masses to be said in Ireland and in public.

The said Testator died on the 23rd day of October, 1940, and Probate of his said Will was granted forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice, Eire, on the 4th day of December, 1940, to Mrs. Grace Crowe, of 21 Nutley Park, Stillorgan road, Donnybrook, in the County of Dublin, and Mrs. Doris Larkin (formerly and in Will called Doris English), of 6 Cross avenue, Blackrock, in the County of Dublin, Married Women, the Executrices named in the said Will.

Dated this 1st day of January, 1941.
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MARGARET QUIN SMYTH, late of Kyle, Wexford, in the County of Wexford, Widow, Deceased.

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COMFORTABLE Bedroom or Bed-sittingroom, Board Wanted by elderly lady in well-kept house; Ranelagh district preferred; permanency desirable; terms essential.—47, Irish Times Branch Office, Ranelagh. 30 E

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Average price, per cwt. live weight, of fat cattle, fat sheep and fat lambs in Dublin Market yesterday:—

FAT CATTLE.

Year.	Jan. 2.	Dec. 27.	Dec. 19.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1941-40	50 6	45 9	45 9
At corresponding dates in previous years:—			
1940-39	45 9	43 9	42 3
1939-38	35 9	34 6	*

FAT SHEEP.

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1941-40	52 3	*	51 3
At corresponding dates in previous years:—			
1940-39	46 9	43 3	45 6
1939-38	35 9	30 6	*

FAT LAMBS.

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1941-40	59 0	*	57 3
At corresponding dates in previous years:—			
1940-39	52 6	42 6	50 0
1939-38	*	37 6	*

*Insufficient quotations received.

STORE CATTLE SALES

MESSRS. CRAIGIE BROS.

Messrs. Craigie Bros. had small supplies at their sale of store cattle yesterday, many entries not coming to hand owing to the dangerous condition of the roads. Aged cattle in good condition met a brisk trade at firm rates. Thin and young sorts in quiet demand at current rates. Mrs. Butler sold polly bullocks at £21 17/6 and A.-A. cross do. at £19 2/6; P. Walsh Hereford cross bullocks £19 15/-; L. Nolan, Hereford cross heifers £19 12/6; Eric Crowe, A.-A. cross bullocks £17 10/-; Richard Grogan, R. bullocks £17 2/6, A.-A. cross do. £17 2/6; Jos. Dwyer, A.-A. cross heifers, 2 years, £15 10/-.

MESSRS. GANLY AND SONS.

Numbers on offer small, and some lots entered did not arrive because of the frozen state of the roads, but some useful pens of the different classes were forward for sale. Strong forward conditioned A.-A. cross, Hereford cross or shorthorn bullocks are in particularly keen demand, and large numbers could have been sold at satisfactory prices. Heifers showing quality and condition also in demand, and a good clearance was effected. Some good lots of bullocks made from £23 15/- to £20, and were from 53/- to 50/- per cwt., and best lots of heifers made from £21 to £16, and were from 50/- to 46/-. Many other lots of bullocks and heifers made from £20 to £13, and were from 52/- to 44/-. Younger classes made from £11 to £8, and the few springers offering made from £23 to £15.

OTHER STOCK EXCHANGES

BELFAST.—3½ p.c. War Loan, 103, 103¼; Midland Bank (partly paid), 8-½; Westminster Bank (partly paid), 72/6; Great Northern Railway Ord., 3½ (small); Clogher Valley Railway 5 p.c. Guar., 81; L.M.S. Railway 1st Pref., 51; Belfast Ropework Ord., 3/6; Courtaulds, 32/-; Inglis Ord., 69/-; Harland and Wolff "B," 10/5½; Imperial Chemical Ord., 29/9; Dunlop Rubber Ord., 32/14, 32/3; Shell Transport Ord., 38/3, 40/-.

CORK.—Financial Agreement Loan, 1034; Exchequer Bonds, 104¾; 4½ p.c. Land Bonds, 111½; War Loan, 102¾; Bank Stock, 286; Provincials (Old), 32/6; Nationals, 35/-; Munsters, buyers 97/6; Great Southern Ord., 5, do. Pref., 10, do. Deb. 48¼; Cement Ord., 33/6; Dublin United Tram Ord., 12/-; Gresham Hotel, sellers 32/6; Guinness Ord., 69/-; Padmore and Barnes (Ireland) Pref., 18/-.

DISCOUNT COMPANIES' DIVIDENDS

Alexander's Discount Company.—Final dividend of 10 p.c., making 17½ p.c. (same).
National Discount Company.—Final of 13 p.c. and bonus of 4 p.c., making 26 p.c. (same).

COMPANY NOTICES.

F. W. WOOLWORTH & CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Transfer Register of the Company will be Closed from the 6th JANUARY, 1941, till 11th JANUARY, 1941, both days inclusive, for the preparation of the dividends payable on 20th February, 1941.

By Order of the Board.

F. J. PEARL, Secretary.

New Bond Street House, 1-9 New Bond street, London, West, 1.
2nd January, 1941.

DUBLIN

STRONG BUYING OF IRISH RAILS

SALTS (IRELAND) PREF. ADVANCE

Trading on the Dublin Stock Exchange was of much broader dimensions yesterday and Home Rails, on continued support, supplied the chief feature of strength. Irish Industrials, following the advance of recent months, met with some selling pressure and the tone was dull for choice.

Home Government Funds presented a quietly steady appearance apart from 4½ p.c. Land Bonds which declined to 111¼. British Funds were busier and brighter, although 3½ p.c War Loan was unaltered at 102⅝. In Banks, Nationals came on offer and closed 1s. down at 35s., but Royals hardened to 9½ and other issues held up well. There was selling of Guinness units all day and they finished 1s. lower at 69s. Distillers Ord. quoted 64s. 11½d.

Rails again enjoyed strong support. Great Southern Pref. advanced a point to 10, the Guar. four points to 24, and the Deb. nearly spurted four points to 55, and other issues held steady. Dublin Tram Ord. and Pref. marked small gains.

Allied Ironfounders Ord. drooped to 2s. 9d., while Carroll Ord and Cement Ord. shed pence. Independent "B" Ord. lost 1s., while Williams and Woods Ord. and Clondalkin Paper Ord. tended lower. Salts (Ireland) Pref. were raised 2s. to 22s. on the payment of arrears of dividends. Irish Sugar Pref., Irish Tanners Ord. and May Roberts (Ireland) Ord. all held their ground.

Changes in British Industrials were small and featureless. Imperial Tobacco Ord. eased to 100s and English Sewing Cotton Ord. to 26s. 3d. Lever Bros. Ord. held steady. Western Reefs quoted 22s. 1½d. and Hawker Siddeley Ord. 14s.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

GOVERNMENT FUNDS—3½ p.c. Fourth National Loan (under £200) (103⅛) 101 x.d.; 4 p.c. Conversion Loan (104¾) 104¾; do. (under £200) (104½) 104½; 3¾ p.c. Financial Agreement Loan (103¾) 103⅜ ¾; 4 p.c. Exchequer Bonds (104¾) 104¾; 4½ p.c. Land Bonds (111⅜) 111¼, and do. (under £200) (111⅜) 111 111. **BRITISH FUNDS**—2½ p.c. Consols (76¼) 76 11/16; 3½ p.c. War Loan (102⅛) 102⅞; do. (under £200) (102 15/16) 102¾; 3½ p.c. Conversion Loan (102⅛) 102⅜; Guar. 3 p.c. 1939 Stock (88¼) 88¾, and India 3½ p.c. Stock (96) *97. **CORPORATION STOCKS**—Dublin 5 p.c. 1950/70 (104 15/16) 105b. **BANKS**—Bank of Ireland (286) 286; Munster and Leinster (97/6) 97/6; National (36/-) 35 11/16 35/-; 35/11s 35/-; Provincial Old (32/6) 32/6 32/6, and Royal (9) 9½.

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES—Distillers Ord. (64/6) *64 11/16, and Guinness Ord. (70/-) 69/- 69/-. **TELEGRAPHS**—Cable and Wireless Ord. (6½) and do. Funded Loan (97) *97. **RAILS, TRAMS, ETC.**—Great Northern Pref. (7) 7; do. Guar. (30) 30; do. Deb. (51) 55; Great Southern Pref. (9) 10; do. Guar. (20) 23 24; do. Deb. (47¼) 48½ 49; L.M.S. 1923 Pref. (37) 36½; Dublin Tram Ord. (11/9) 12/-, and do. Pref. (22/11½) 22/3.

IRISH INDUSTRIALS—Allied Ironfounders (I.) Ord. (3/11½) *2/9 2/9; Assoc. Properties Pref. (21/3) 21/6; Carroll Ord. (2/9) 2/6; Cement Ord. (35/9) 35/6; do. Deb. (107¾) *107¾; Clondalkin Paper New Ord. (6/-) *5/9; Goulding Ord. (25/1) 25/-a; Greenmount and Boyne Linen Ord. (6/-) 6/-b; do. Pref. 20/-b 21/-a; Independent "B" Ord. (41/-) *40/-; Irish-American Oil Pref. (20/-) 18/-b 20/-a; Irish Sugar Pref. (24/6) *24/6; Irish Tanners Ord. (8/-) *8/-; May Roberts (Ireland) Ord. (44/-) 44/-; Padmore and Barnes Pref. (18/-) 18/-; Salts (Ireland) Pref. (20/-) 22/-; Williams and Woods Ord. (- paid) (11/2) *11/-, and do. Pref. (11/6 paid) *11/7½.

BRITISH INDUSTRIALS—Anglo-Java Rubbers 5d.; English Sewing Cotton Ord. (26/6) *26/3; Hawker Siddeley Ord. 14/-; Imperial Tobacco Ord. (100/3) 100/-; Goldfields Rhodesian Development 4/11½; Lever Bros. Ord. (23/4½) 23/4½; do. 7 p.c. Pref. (25/9) 25/9; Manbre and Garton Def. 23/9; Naraguta Tin Ord. 6/10½; New Zealand 4½ p.c. 1944, 103; Platt Bros. Ord. 2/8¼; Sumatra Para Rubbers 1/-, and Western Reefs 22/- 22/1½.

*Odd lot. a-asked. b-bid. c-cash.
(Previous prices in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE

Irish Banks' rate (changed Oct. 26, 1939)... 3 %
Loans on Government Stocks transferred ... 3½%
Deposits under £2,000 ... 1½%
Deposits of £2,000 and over ... 1½%
The foregoing rates are subject to variation.

LONDON

IMPROVEMENT IN THE FUNDS

INDUSTRIALS ALSO BETTER

Under the influence of a renewed demand for British Government Funds, the recent steady tone continued in evidence in the London Stock Markets yesterday. Rises in these extended to ¾ in Local Loans at 89½ and Consols 2½ per cent. at 77⅛. War Loan 3½ per cent. improved ⅛ to 103⅛, and also Funding 4 per cent. at 114. Industrials gave a satisfactory display, among the best movements being a gain of 1s. in Turner and Newall at 64s. 9d. and London Brick at 44s.

Support for Kaffirs was reflected by several small gains, and among Oils "Shells" responded to 2½ per cent., tax free, interim, with a rise of 1s. 3d. to 40s. Rubber was a feature among commodities, with a further advance to 1s. 0¾d. per lb., but this failed to stimulate interest in the shares.

The persistent appreciation in Gilt-edged encouraged an inquiry for British Railway prior charges, Great Western 5 per cent. Pref. at 85½ being a point up, while Southern 5 per cent. Pref. gained ¼ at 83¼. The Ordinaries were neglected, Southern Preferred sagging to 45¼. Canadian Pacific Pref. were wanted at 48¾ in the overseas group.

Some investment buying was noticeable in the Industrial section, among those issues to be influenced being Imperial Tobacco at 5⅛ and Carreras at 81s. 3d. Breweries also made a better showing, especially Watney Def., which spurted 9d. to 44s. 9d. Distillers were higher again at 65s. 9d. An improved tone developed among Textiles, where Bleachers quoted 3s., Fine Spinners 3s. 9d., and Lancashire Cotton Pref. 20s.

Elsewhere British Oxygen were bought up to 64s., and "Emmies" hardened to 7s 10½d. Iron and Steel were steady to firm, Projectiles being strong at 20s. 3d., while Stewarts and Lloyds moved ahead to 42s. Wm. Cory advanced to 72s. 9d. Favourable trading reports led to small gains in Ford Motor at 17s. 1½d., and Morris at 24s. 7½d. Aircrafts were a shade dull, Hawker Siddeley easing to 14s. 6d. owing to profit-taking. Dunlops attracted buyers around 32s. 7½d. Electric Supplies continued on the upgrade, and among Stores and Provisions, Tate and Lyle improved to 47s. 1½d. Woolworths, however, eased to 53s. 7½d.

Kaffir dividend-payers attracted most attention in the Mining market, East Daggafontein rising to 38s. 9d., Randfontein to 36s. 10½d., and S.A. Lands to 93s. 9d. Western Reefs made further progress at 22s. 6d. Rhodesian Coppers were rather dull; Rhokana giving way to 7⅞. Other Mines were inactive, but Tins were a little better in places, despite the decline in the metal price. Satisfaction with the "Shell" dividend was not reflected in other Oil shares, Anglo-Iranian drooping to 35s. 7½d., and V.O.C. to 26s. 10½d.

WOOL

BRADFORD.—There are substantial orders about for hand-knitting yarns for the home market, and the demand for the time being exceeds the output. In other sections, however, there is a good deal of under-employment. Spinners' quotations for yarns for civilian trade are very firm at late rates, with tendency against buyers.

FOOD AND PRODUCE MARKETS

CATTLE.
DUBLIN (METROPOLITAN).

	Numbers on sale this week as compared with last.		Corresponding weeks of 1940.	1939.
Beasts	2,100	—increase 1,453	3,331	3,050
Sheep and lambs	5,052	—increase 3,127	5,088	5,438
Veal calves.	—	—	20	4

After holiday interruption our cattle market presented more normal conditions, both as regards supplies and attendance of buyers. Local victuallers report a poor Christmas trade, and were cautious bidders only, the choicer heifers being satisfactorily placed, while many of the good secondary grades were not even bid for, and did not look like clearing. The announcement of a penny per lb. more on first grade beasts across Channel caused early keen competition for suitable bullocks, and where found the right article placed without difficulty at 4/- to 5/- per cwt. in sellers' favour. Good secondary bullocks also shared in the healthier tone of market, and except for heifers business closed with a good clearance of the 2,100 beasts on offer, which, however, formed a light gathering for time of year. Over the day's proceedings prices worked out at—Best bullocks 52/- to 53/-, extra 54/- to 55/-, heifers 51/- to 52/-, extra 53/- to 54/-, secondary sorts 49/- to 50/-, rougher 45/- to 48/- per cwt. As compared with corresponding market last year prices show an increase of 4/- to 6/-, and 13/- to 15/- per cwt dearer on same date 1939. In the beef cow section, sales were also brisk, especially the young heiferish types, which were readily placed to better advantage, after which useful secondary cows came in for better support, and few were without buyers' marks at a comparatively early hour. Bulls in small supply and dearer at 30/- to 35/-, best young cows 40/- to 43/-, extra 44/- to 45/-, secondary 35/- to 38/-, others 24/- to 30/- per cwt.

SHEEP AND LAMBS.

Supplies were up to average here this week. Choice mutton continues short of requirements, and quickly snapped up at fully 5/- to 4/- per head in sellers' favour, after which useful secondary sorts came in for better support to replace the primer article, and with less of the real rough element to deal with market proved a dearer one, and sold much earlier, except some dealers' lots which could not be cashed at owners' ideas of values. Prime mutton 10½d to 11d. and 1/- secondary quality 9d. to 10d., rougher around 7¾d. to 8½d. per lb., and lambs 30/- to 55/- per head, according to class.

DAIRY CATTLE.

Market presented a holiday appearance, there being few animals for sale at opening. Later, however, over 90 beasts arrived, and were cashed at prices which show no real market value

PIGS.

	Numbers on sale this week as compared with last.		Corresponding weeks of 1940.	1939.
Pigs	850	—increase 523	1,237	995

Moderate supplies for time of year, with quality on the whole fairly good. There was a full attendance of buyers in pork and bacon interests. Sales opened satisfactory, but as the day wore on a more cautious attitude was shown, and heavy bacon pigs were inclined to weaken. Sows in small supply, and well placed. Weather conditions against sales of slips and boniams, few of which were exposed for sale. Prime light to medium weight hogs 92/- to 94/- and 96/-, heavier 80/- to 85/-, sows 65/- to 70/- per cwt. Slips and boniams not quotably altered.

YORK.—Few customers for supply of about 600 Irish store cattle. Trade quiet and prices dearer. Three-year-old polled bullocks £31, three-year-old horned bullocks £28, two-year-olds £24, polled heifers £21, smaller cattle £15. No English beasts and no sheep forward.

BRISTOL.—The usual weekly market did not take place yesterday owing to the order made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries declaring the city and county of Bristol to be an infected area for the purpose of preventing the spread of foot-and-mouth disease.

PIGS.
Fed on "EMERALD" PIG MEAL
fatten rapidly and grade well.
Post-card brings sample and name of Merchant.
PAUL & VINCENT, LTD., DUBLIN.

GRAIN.

THE BALTIC.—WHEAT—Market quiet, and Australian grades were reduced by 6d. to 1/- per qr., but Plate held for 3

WOMAN SHOT IN FIELD

TIPPERARY MAN ON MURDER CHARGE

VICTIM'S SON GIVES EVIDENCE

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

CLONMEL, Thursday.

AT Clonmel to-day, before District Justice Troy, Henry Gleeson, aged 33, Marlhill, New Inn, was charged with the murder of Mary McCarthy, aged 40, unmarried, Marlhill, between 5 p.m. on November 20th and 10.20 a.m. on November 21st.

Mr. G. Murnaghan, barrister-at-law (instructed by Mr. F. J. O'Connor, State Solicitor), appeared for the prosecution; and Mr. Sean MacBride, barrister-at-law (instructed by Mr. John J. Thimothy, LL.B., Tipperary) for the accused man.

Mr. Murnaghan said that Mary McCarthy was found dead on November 21st. She had left her house the previous evening somewhere about 5.30 or close on 6 o'clock. On the same day two shots were heard. When she was found her death was discovered to have been due to two shots fired from a shotgun—one from a short distance, and the second fired when the woman was apparently lying on the ground; and with the gun practically against her head. Evidence would be given by a number of witnesses which would connect the accused man with the crime.

GUARD'S EVIDENCE

Guard Joseph Ruth, New Inn, stated that on the morning of November 21st the accused man, in the Garda Barracks at New Inn, told him about seeing the body in a field. When witness said: "Do you know who it is?" the accused man replied: "I don't know," and added: "I was counting sheep when I saw her. I looked across the ditch and saw her lying there. There was a small black dog on the body. He gave a growl at me, and I went away." The accused man also said that he did not know if the woman was from the locality, and, when asked if she were dead, replied: "She may be only sleeping." Gleeson's general behaviour throughout was quite normal.

Witness described how he, Sergeant Daly and Gleeson went to a field and found the body lying on its back in a corner close to a ditch. There was a small black dog on top of the body. Witness noticed a gap in the fence near where the body lay, and after the accused man and the sergeant had left the accused man returned. Witness shouted to him not to cross the fence at the gap, but Gleeson came through the gap, and witness told him that he did not want to have any marks left there or to have anything disturbed. Gleeson then said: "I suppose I done wrong in crossing; it can't be helped now. They are my marks, anyway."

SON TELLS OF VIGIL

Michael McCarthy, aged about twelve and a half, son of the deceased woman, broke down while giving evidence regarding the clothes his mother wore when he last saw her alive on the Wednesday evening at six or seven o'clock. After tea that evening she went into Cæsar's field, accompanied by her little dog. That night he and his brother went out to look for their mother, and when they returned witness went to bed. Next morning witness walked through some fields, and saw Harry Gleeson, who had a greyhound with him. Gleeson jumped down off a ditch and witness ran away. Witness said that Gleeson lived at Cæsar's field and often met his mother there. His mother used to tell witness to go home and she and Gleeson would remain behind. They would go to a small little place beside where the pump was. Sometimes he saw Gleeson at the pump waving his hand to attract his mother's attention, and on those occasions she would go down to meet Gleeson. His mother had a baby, which lived only about three weeks. She told him who the baby's father was.

"PUT THE LAW ON HIM"

About a month after the baby's funeral witness's mother went into Cæsar's field after a goat and Harry Gleeson came down and the two of them were fighting. He heard his mother say to Gleeson that she would put the law on him to pay for the children. He did not hear Gleeson say anything. After that he used to see his mother and Gleeson meet in a field. On one occasion his mother was talking to Gleeson when the Cæsars came along in a pony and trap, and Gleeson said to her: "Here they are now; go in." Sometimes Gleeson might have a "butt" of potatoes for witness's mother. One night his mother sent witness and his brother out after dark and on a ditch they found a butt of potatoes, which they brought home. He saw his mother more than once bringing home potatoes.

The hearing will be continued on Friday, and is expected to last several days.

DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT.

DRUNK IN CHARGE OF CARS

(BEFORE MR. McCARTHY.)

George Kerr, storeman, Hope avenue, East Wall road, Dublin, was fined £15 and had his driving licence suspended for twelve months for having been drunk in charge of a motor car at Dame street, Dublin, on Christmas Eve; and Hugh Keely, carpenter, Old County road, Crumlin, was fined £10 and had his driving licence suspended for twelve months for having been drunk in charge of a motor car on Christmas Morning.

Mr. J. A. Geary, solicitor (Chief State Solicitor's Office) prosecuted. Mr. L. Trant McCarthy, solicitor, appeared for Mr. Kerr, and Mr. J. V. Brady, solicitor, for Mr. Keely.

FALSE PRETENCES CHARGES

Thomas Whelan, alias Thomas Fallain, no business and no fixed address, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment on four charges of having obtained money from people in the Sandymount area by falsely representing himself to be a collector for the African Missions.

LICENSING PROSECUTIONS

Cornelius Lonergan, 14 Jones's road, Dublin, was fined £5 for allowing liquor to be consumed on his off-licence premises on Sunday, September 1, last.

Mr. P. D. O'Grady, solicitor, who appeared for Mr. Lonergan, said that the men who were found drinking in Mr. Lonergan's yard were not there with his consent. About 60,000 people had been at the All Ireland hurling final that day, and a crowd rushed over to Mr. Lonergan's premises, which were opposite. Some of them who bought bottles of stout, as they were entitled to do, brought them into the yard and consumed them there, instead of taking them out to the street. It was ridiculous that 60,000 people coming to Dublin on a Sunday could not get a drink after 5 o'clock. If the whole police force had been at Jones's road that Sunday they could not have prevented the rush of people across to Mr. Lonergan's premises.

James McGuirk, licencee of the Red Lion Hotel, South Great George's street, Dublin, was fined £3, the conviction not to be endorsed on the licence, for permitting liquor to be consumed on his premises during prohibited hours on Sunday, September 29, last.

It was stated that there had been a Gaelic football final in Dublin that Sunday, and that the men who had been supplied with drink had stated that they were staying in the hotel.

Mr. E. H. Burne, solicitor, appeared for Mr. McGuirk.

Mr. D. O Donnchadha, solicitor (Chief State Solicitor's Office) prosecuted in all the licensing cases.

A six years old boy, John Johnston, of Colinview street, Springfield road, Belfast, was admitted to the Children's Hospital, Falls road, suffering from a fracture of the left leg and scalp wounds caused when he was knocked down by a motor car.

FIERCE RAID ON BREMEN

Work of Incendiaries and Explosives

BLAZING FACTORIES AND SHIPYARDS

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

LONDON, Thursday.

TWENTY thousand incendiaries and numerous high explosives were rained by the Royal Air Force, on Wednesday night, on Bremen, Germany's second greatest shipyard.

So fierce was the fire enveloping dockyards and factories that high explosives which burst from later raiders could not be distinguished.

The military objectives hit included the great shipbuilding yards, in which warships, and especially submarines, are under construction.

"An hour or so after the raid on Bremen had begun, and while a long procession of aircraft of the Bomber Command was still moving towards the city, the pilots could see the red glow in the sky when they reached the Zuider Zee," states the British Air Ministry News Service to-night.

A RAGING FURNACE

"They were still 120 miles from their objective, and, as they covered the last lap, the glow resolved itself into a blaze, and the blaze into a raging furnace.

"Twenty thousand incendiaries and a load of high explosive bombs had done their work on the greatest seaport in Germany after Hamburg. The smoke rose to the height of the clouds, and was mingled with them.

"Some pilots found the particular objective which they had been detailed to attack so thoroughly ablaze that, rather than waste their bombs on buildings already gutted, they sought other factories or dockyards in the city.

"It was an early raid, beginning about an hour after nightfall, and, although overwhelming in its effect, it was over before midnight.

"On the way out some of our bombers had to fly through thick cloud and snowstorms, but over Bremen the clouds were driven so quickly by the wind that no target was hidden for long, and for all practical purposes it was a clear night and intensely cold. At 10,000 feet the thermometer measured minus 30 degrees centigrade, with a young moon to light up the city.

CHIEF OBJECTIVES

"The chief objectives of the night were the great shipbuilding yards, in which warships of all kinds, and especially submarines, are under construction; the Deutche Vacuum Oil Refinery, railway communications, warehouses opposite the harbours, the Gebruder Nielson rice and starch mills, the Focke-Wulf airframe factory, and many other industrial targets.

"It was the rice and starch mills which some pilots found burning so fiercely throughout the whole structure that they judged it unnecessary to ravage what was already a ruin.

"The pilots who attacked these mills reported that eight large fires broke out there, and eventually came together in one great conflagration, which they could still see when they had crossed the Dutch frontier on their way home.

"At several shipbuilding yards both docks and buildings were repeatedly hit by heavy high-explosive bombs, and when thousands of incendiaries fell on two of these yards nothing could be seen but a sheet of fire, so brilliant and of such uniform intensity that the bursts of high-explosive bombs could not be distinguished among the flames."

SIX EXPLOSIONS

"The Atlas shipbuilding yards were also ablaze, and the whole line of warehouses opposite No. 2 Harbour was alight. The Focke Wulf Airframe Factory was on fire when one pilot arrived over it. His bombs splashed into the blaze, and very soon afterwards there were six explosions, which could not possibly be mistaken for the actual bursts of the bombs.

"The Deutsche Vacuum Oil Refinery was badly damaged, and railways of Bremen were hit again and again.

"Factories beside one railway line were gutted, and many pilots could see the wreckage of them very plainly.

"To defend Bremen the Germans used all the ground defences they could muster, and our pilots reported a formidable barrage of anti-aircraft fire, frequently concentrated at points where the searchlights converged in a cone.

"One or two enemy aircraft were seen wandering ineffectively over the town.

ENCOUNTER WITH JUNKERS

"On the way back from this brilliant offensive operation one of our bombers had the good fortune to meet an enemy bomber off the English coast. It was a Junkers 88, which was coming up from astern. It opened fire at a range of 800 yards. The rear gunner of our bomber replied with a short burst, and the enemy then banked into a cloud, but just before the aircraft entered it the rear gunner fired another burst. Two minutes later our bomber was out of the clouds again, and the gunner saw the enemy flying on a zig-zag course, about 600 yards astern. The Junkers was then belching clouds of smoke."

PIRATES AND THEIR TREASURE

LECTURE BEFORE R.D.S.

"Pirates and their Buried Treasure" was the subject of a lecture by the Rev. L. Millar, M.A., Chaplain of St. Columba's College, at the Royal Dublin Society, Ballsbridge, yesterday afternoon. In interesting fashion the lecturer told of the rise of piracy and the early activities of pirates in the Mediterranean Sea, and cited the classical case of Cæsar, when on his way as a young man to study oratory in Greece, being taken by pirates and held to ransom. It was typical of Cæsar that, when the ransom was paid, he followed the pirates to their island lair, took them prisoners and crucified all of them, as he had promised to do. The lecturer also dealt with the Moorish pirates of the fifteenth century, and told of the activities of the two Barbarossis. The elder, from being an entirely unknown seaman, in a short time made himself master of a fleet of galleys, and became ruler of nearly the whole of North Africa. His younger brother outlived the elder by many years, and amassed not only a vast fortune, but became Admiral-General of the Turkish Fleet. The North African pirates were finally wiped out by the British and French in the early nineteenth century.

Dealing with buccaneers and pirates in American waters, the lecturer told of the careers of such figures as Henry Morgan and the famous Black Beard, and also two women pirates—Anne Bonney (an Irish woman) and Mary Read.

In the concluding section of his lecture Mr. Millar dealt with buried treasure of pirates, particularly in the Cocos Island and Trinidad. There had been many treasures unearthed, and he mentioned especially the case of Lieutenant Williams in Panama, who after the last war perfected a radial instrument with which he was so successful in discovering large hoards of treasure that he had been able to maintain a large racing stable and two steam yachts.

The lecture was illustrated with lantern slides.

On the minutes of the Transport Committee at Belfast Corporation yesterday, Alderman Pierce said that during the black-out tram cars were so crowded that many people escaped paying their fares. He referred particularly to North street. Alderman Henderson resented the implication of dishonesty to the people of the Shankill road.

GREAT SOUTHERN RAILWAYS

SHAREHOLDERS AND THEIR POSITION

ASSOCIATION TO BE FORMED

A MEETING of shareholders of the Great Southern Railways was held in Jury's Hotel, Dublin, yesterday, under the chairmanship of Colonel The O'Callaghan.

The Chairman said that they had to consider whether they would form an association, and, if they did, what that association would do. A large proportion of the shareholders, he said, were of the opinion that something should be done to improve the shareholders' position and safeguard what remained of their railway property. The railway companies had been formed by private individuals with very little help, and occasionally positive obstruction from the authorities. In the past forty years much of the traffic had been filched from the railways by pirate road services, licensed by the State, and that State even subsidised a permanent way for this competitive traffic. The railways worst troubles had increased and multiplied under State interference.

During the last war, when the British Government had taken control of the railways, all the workers were put on an equal footing, so that when the Irish railways returned to private control the management was left to hold a baby so strong that either it or the shareholders had to go hungry. When the railways announced that they might not be able to keep running they were told that they might be taken over by the new Irish State. In 1924 amalgamation was introduced, and in 1933 the Great Southern Railways were supposed to receive a virtual monopoly of transport at the price of drastic capital reconstruction.

They were "kindly permitted" to make a large redeemable debenture issue for the purchase and equipment of fleets of lorries and buses, and a "mere trifle" of 13¼ million pounds was written off their capital, by Act of Parliament, without ever having been before a general meeting of the stockowners. The actual draft scheme originated at Kingsbridge, and was placed in the hands of the Minister before it had been submitted even to a full meeting of the Board of Directors.

THE PROXIES

"Outside Russia," said the Chairman, "I think that must constitute a record." For some years the directors had faced them behind an impenetrable barbed-wire fence of proxies against which argument and common-sense were alike useless. The stock-owners would only begin to be the owners of their concern and the directors resume the position of honoured and trusted officers when this dead block of soulless, fruitless proxies was dissolved.

The railways, continued the chairman, were, under the Defence Regulations, an essential undertaking, which the Government might take over at any moment. The Government was pledged to an industrial revival. The Great Southern Railways was the largest concern of the kind in the country; in 1933 there were upwards of 7,000 stock-owners whose holdings were less than £1,000. The big capitalist had fled long ago, and he (the chairman) pleaded for the little people whose life savings had been swept away.

MUCH TO COMPLAIN OF

Opening the meeting, Mr. Hubert Rooney, acting secretary of the meeting, said that they had a good deal to complain of, and they would, as an active association, stand some chance of having their complaints heard. It seemed to be a question of going quietly to the workhouse or making some effort to save something from the wreck.

Mr. Eoin O'Mahony, Cork, said that amending legislation was necessary if the railways were to return to prosperity. It was scandalous that the eighteen months' old report of the Transport Tribunal had not been published by the Government. The revenue of the company had increased in the past year by £100,000; but, with the increase in coal prices and the award of 2s. 6d. extra by the Railway Wages Board, the expenditure had increased by £180,000. Wages alone increased by £63,000. The railways were starved for traffic, and ought, at least, to share the cream of merchant transport in the country with the licensed hauliers. Unlicensed hauliers should be put off the road. These unlicensed hauliers were breaking the Road Transport Act of 1933 every day while the railways had 500 lorries at the nation's service. Even licensed hauliers were not competing fairly with the railway company. The hauliers were not governed by regulations as to the merchandise they transported, and could take the cream of the goods traffic and charge what they liked.

The hauliers were not obliged to comply with trade union rates of wages and conditions of employment. The railway paid £400,000 annually on debentures and fixed charges, and had never defaulted. They had not paid on the guaranteed Preference stock since 1937; they had not paid on the Ordinary nor on the Preference shares since 1931. Therefore, over 20,000 shareholders had seen no money for ten years. Road transport was the big thing for the railways, and there was a continued failure of the measures existing for the control and direction of road transport. Unlawful and unfair competition still prevailed widely on the roads.

DIRECTORS' ALLOWANCES

Mr. F. Goggin gave instances of the economies effected on other railways. The directors of the Great Southern, he said, were paid £900 per annum, free of income tax; the Great Northern Railway directors received £400 per annum, Messrs. Guinness's directors got £385, and the Imperial Tobacco Company's directors got £333 per annum.

Mr. B. O'Rourke said that the Great Northern Railway was operating successfully in Eire. Its Shareholders' Association was active, and had been instrumental in having various economies introduced.

Mr. T. J. Byrnes said that they were up against the fact that the directors had 70 per cent. of the proxies. It was useless for the shareholders to go to the meetings. Most of the proxies were held by banks, and until the shareholders got those proxies out of the banks' hands they could do very little. If they paid £5,000 a year to an efficient manager appointed by the Government they would probably in a year or two be getting a return on the ten years' arrears.

Alderman Alfred Byrne, T.D., said that he had been invited to the meeting, although he was not a shareholder. He was prepared to do all that he could to help the shareholders, in the Dail or elsewhere. The railways ought to be saved and the shareholders protected.

Other speakers were Major R. E. Fitzgerald Lombard, Mr. Adam Lloyd Blood and Mr. J. T. Maloney.

It was decided to hold another meeting, at which an association would be formed, and that in the meantime a draft constitution would be drawn up.

In regard to the report of the Railway Tribunal, it was decided formally to ask Alderman Byrne to look into the matter.

HUNGARIAN GIRL'S INTEREST IN FILM

PROSECUTION AT BELFAST COURT

The Probation of Offenders' Act was applied in a case yesterday at Belfast against a pretty young Hungarian, Etlika Lukacs, of 234 Antrim road, who admitted a breach of the Aliens (Movement Restriction) Order.

Police evidence was that the girl was absent from her place of abode when Constable Shanks called at 10.30 at night, at which hour she should have been in the house. She returned at 10.55, explaining that she was at a cinema and was enjoying the picture so much that she forgot the time.

Mr. A. R. Fletcher (for the defendant) said that his client became interested in the film "The Tower of London" and overstayed the time.

Of Interest to Women

THE SALES BEGIN

NINE a.m. on Monday last was the zero hour which marked the commencement of the sales. From now on, for a hectic three or four weeks, every woman within range of the shops will engage during most of her spare time in the hunt for bargains—the most thrilling chase of all! And this year's sales have their own particular poignancy for who knows when we shall again go forth to seek the value as in the good old days of the nineteen thirties?

As may be expected, the sales are, if possible, more thronged than usual this year, and the enthusiasm is terrific. Whatever the future may have in store, we are going to have this one last fling and enjoy it.

We have come to expect a very high standard from the displays in the shops, and this year lives fully up to the high level of its predecessors. There seems, surprisingly, to be plenty of everything, and the displays are both artistic and effective—a very important thing at sale time, where quick decisions are of paramount importance.

BLANKETS

As far as it is possible to discriminate, I should say that the rush at the present time is principally on the bedclothes departments, many people, no doubt, thinking that calls

DEANNA'S FORMAL: In black and white for the campus stylist is this lovely formal frock worn by Deanna Durbin, star of the new film, "Spring Parade." The wide, rustly skirt of black taffeta, with flattering high waistline, is grand to dance in, while the white mousseline blouse, with crisp starched lace jabot and cuffs, adds a note of feminine charm. With it Deanna wears a black wool challie shawl, fringed with silk and patterned with colourful flowers.

may at any time be made on their hospitality, which will require the provision of extra bedding at short notice. Through the crowds thronging the bedding departments at one or two of the large stores I saw huge piles of blankets, sheets, pillow slips and bedspreads. Foxford blankets in single and double bed sizes are offered at attractive prices in the sales, some of them white with coloured borders, and others in pale colours with silk borders.

Greatly in demand were those most attractive Lanair blankets, which represent a timely innovation. Though light in weight, owing to their cellular texture, they are very warm, and are most useful to those with limited storage accommodation.

LINEN

Slightly shopsoiled linen sheets were being offered at one shop, and the enthusiasm provoked by this lot almost resulted in a pitched battle; I am not altogether surprised, for the prices were a knock-out, and the goods, with one wash through, would be as good as new. The prices throughout these sales are most agreeably surprising; for, with the rising cost of everything during the past months, the best that one could hope for would be to find things in the sales offered at pre-war prices, but in most lines this year's sales go one better than that, and goods are priced below pre-war rates. My advice to everybody who can possibly manage to do so is to buy now, and to the fullest capacity within the limits of purse and accommodation. But to return to sheets. This is the time of the year above all others when the woman who wants to complete her sets by replacing worn-out items with new pieces should do her buying. At other times of the year, odd sheets and pillow slips to match existing sets are hard to come by, but during the sales there is always a great display of "singles" at bargain prices.

I saw mountains of bedspreads at every price, but mostly presenting very good bargains. The variety both in colour, design and material was seemingly endless, but I noted particular bargains being offered in heavy art. silk bedspreads, with self-coloured designs.

REMNANTS

And then the remnants, fascinating tail-piece of every sale! I cannot attempt to detail the countless attractive offers of the remnant counters, but one display which no woman will be able to resist consists of a vast number of handbags of every size and shape at ridiculously low prices owing to slight flaws, only distinguishable by the very captious.

PHOEBE.

THIS WEEK'S RECIPE

SAVOURY POTATOE PIE

Grease a pie-dish and place in the bottom a thick layer of sliced cooked potatoes, well seasoned with salt and pepper. Cover with a layer of sliced hard-boiled egg and then by another layer of sliced potatoes. Pour over this a sauce made as follows:—

Melt a knob of margarine in a saucepan and stir in a heaped dessertspoonful of flour and seasoning to taste. Mix this to a paste with two tablespoonfuls unsweetened evaporated milk and gradually stir in a teacupful cold water. Stir over a medium flame until the mixture thickens. Then stir in two dessertspoonfuls grated cheese. Pour this sauce over the "pie," sprinkle generously with grated cheese, and bake in a moderate oven for fifteen minutes. Brown under the grill or under a baking sheet in the oven.

Next Week: FISH PATTIES.

OBITUARY

SIR JOHN ROWLAND

Sir John Rowland, who was Chairman of the Welsh Board of Health from 1930 until his retirement in January last year, and at one time a private secretary to Mr. Lloyd George, died yesterday in a London nursing home. He was born at Tregaron, Cardiganshire, in 1877, and came under the notice of Mr. Lloyd George after three years as an Assistant Master at a Cardiff secondary school. When Mr. Lloyd George became President of the Board of Trade, in 1905, he appointed Sir John, then Mr. Rowlands, as his private secretary, a post which he retained until 1912. Sir John Rowland was also associated with Mr. Lloyd George in the early administration of the National Health Insurance scheme.

DR. ARCHIBALD HERON

The death occurred on Wednesday last at his residence, Dromara, County Down, of Archibald Heron, M.D., son of the late Rev. Professor James Heron, D.D. Dr. Heron was educated at the Royal Belfast Academical Institution and at Queen's College, Belfast, which he entered with the Lady Pakenham Scholarship, and in 1901 he took the degree of M.B. He was a member of Queen's and Ulster teams for some years, and in 1901 played for Ireland against England. In the South African war Dr. Heron served as a civil surgeon from 1901-2. After the war he settled at Dromara, and in 1904 he took his M.D. at the Royal University. During the Great War he served with the R.A.M.C. from 1917-18, and at the close of hostilities returned to Dromara, where he was highly esteemed. Dr. Heron was a bachelor.

PLEADED GUILTY TO BIGAMY

SUSPENDED SENTENCE ON BELFAST WOMAN

At Belfast Quarter Sessions yesterday, Annie Godkin Baxter, Soudan street, pleaded guilty to having on May 9, 1940, bigamously married David Hall, a soldier, her husband, William Baxter, being then alive.

David Hall pleaded guilty to having aided and abetted the same prisoner in committing the offence stated.

Mr. B. Campbell, who appeared for Mrs. Baxter, said there was a strange story behind this case, but to prevent going into strange facts her husband was prepared to enter the witness-box and say he was largely responsible for what had occurred.

William Baxter then gave evidence to this effect.

Replying to Mr. W. A. Currie, who prosecuted, he said he had told Hall prior to his marriage that the female prisoner was his wife. Hall had been leading a good life previous to becoming infatuated with Mrs. Baxter.

Police evidence was in favour of both prisoners.

His Honour Judge McGonigal imposed a suspended sentence of three months' imprisonment, to come into operation if within the next two years they were convicted again.

A verdict of accidental death was returned at an inquest held yesterday by the Belfast City Coroner (Dr. H. P. Lowe) into the death of Henry Yaw, aged 60, of 25 Belmont road, who was knocked down by a tram car on Saturday last.

John McAlpin, aged 21, 22 Northumberland street, Belfast, was admitted to the Royal Victoria Hospital yesterday morning suffering from head injuries received when he was knocked down by a motor car on the Queen's Bridge.

Moscow, Thursday.—Mr. Angus Ward, First Secretary and head of the Consular Section of the American Embassy in Moscow, is going immediately to Vladivostok, where he is opening an American Consulate-General.—(Reuter.)

HOUSEBREAKING CHARGES

BELFAST YOUTH FOR TRIAL

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Thursday.

The story of how a member of the Local Defence Volunteers captured a youth in the yard of a dwellinghouse was told to Mr. W. F. McCoy, K.C., R.M., in the Belfast Custody Court to-day, when Philip Fleming, of Forfar street, was charged on remand with breaking and entering the dwellinghouse of Thomas Whitley, of Enfield street, on November 30, and stealing £9 15s. 1d. He was further charged with breaking into the dwellinghouse of William Cowan, of 7 Ainsworth Drive, on December 28, with intent to commit a felony.

The accused youth was returned for trial at the Quarter Sessions, bail being allowed.

District Inspector McKinlay prosecuted.

William McCullough said that on December 28 he saw the accused youth climb over the yard wall of 7 Ainsworth Drive. He put what appeared to be a white handkerchief on the latch of the scullery door and entered the house. Witness got James Boyd to go to the front of the house, and witness went to the back and caught the youth in the yard, and handed him over to the police.

Mrs. Jean Cowan said that about 2 p.m. on Saturday, December 28, she left her house, 7 Ainsworth Drive, to visit her mother. As a result of a message she received she returned to her home, where she found the doors of the yard and scullery open and the lower half of the back-room window pushed up. She did not miss any property.

Detective Constable Norris read a statement alleged to have been made by the defendant, in which he admitted entering the house, and adding that he took nothing out of it.

Mrs. T. Whitley, 68 Enfield street, said that on November 30th last she left her home and on returning found that she was unable to open the front door. She got a friend to enter the house by the back and open the door. She missed £9 10s. from a handbag and 5s. 1d. from a cake stand.

The defendant said that he did not receive £9 10s.

His worship said that Mr. McCullough deserved to be highly commended for the way he observed, detected and caught the accused in respect of William Cowan's case. "I think," said Mr. McCoy, he did the duty of a good citizen and did it extremely well.

GERMAN RAIDER MAY BE BRITISH VESSEL

HONG KONG, Thursday.

Shipping circles here believe that the German raider responsible for most, if not all, of the sinking of allied merchantmen in the Pacific, is the former Glen liner Glengarry, which the Germans were reported to have seized when they invaded Denmark and converted into an auxiliary cruiser.

The Glengarry has a speed of 22 knots, and is said to be commanded by Captain von Luckner.

There was speculation in New York to-night whether the Commander actually is Count von Luckner, the German Great War raider.—(Associated Press.)

FEED A COLD

Feed a cold and starve a fever is an old saying—but not a true one. If you are suffering from a cold take the lightest possible diet and a dose of Eno's first thing every morning—you'll be surprised how effective this treatment is. Doctors everywhere take and recommend Eno's Fruit Salt. —(Advt.)

FIRE PREVENTION EXECUTIVE

BRITAIN'S NEW SAFETY MEASURE

FROM PRESS ASSOCIATION LOBBY CORRESPONDENT.

A Fire Prevention Executive is being set up by the British Government to take swift and effective action against fire bomb raids in "target areas." Mr. W. S. Morrison, Postmaster-General, has been appointed Chairman of the Executive.

It was announced officially last night that the Prime Minister, on the recommendation of Sir John Anderson (Lord President of the Council) and Mr. Herbert Morrison (Minister of Home Security) has approved the immediate establishment of a special organisation, to be called the Fire Prevention Executive, to secure prompt and vigorous action by the various Government departments and authorities, in applying effective measures of fire prevention in target areas.

"The new organisation, which will include responsible representatives of all the Government departments concerned, with the many aspects of the problem of fire prevention, will work in close association with the Ministry of Home Security in matters within the responsibility of that department."

Colonel Sir John Greenly will have administrative charge of the organisation.

The setting up of this new Executive follows quickly upon the Government's decision to approve, in principle, the conscription, if need be, of part-time fire watchers. These men could be enrolled compulsorily if it were thought desirable.

The Act gives the Government full control in war-time over the services of everyone, but compulsion will not be used if there are sufficient voluntary Air-raid Precaution workers.

FATTENING CATTLE

HOME-GROWN AND OTHER FOODS

It is quite a common thing in Ireland to see cattle that are put in to fatten getting big quantities of "oil cake." This is probably because forty or fifty years ago the composition of foods was little understood and a certain type of land owner aped what was being done across the Channel, in the belief that oil cake had wonderful effects. Indeed, it was quite common, and is too common still, to see fattening cattle getting more proteins than would suffice for heavy milking dairy cows.

As a matter of fact a bullock of from 7 to 15cwt. will fatten quite well on a ration containing 1½lb. of proteins. About 1lb. of this could be supplied by a stone and a half of good meadow hay. Four stone of swedes and four pound of crushed oats will make up the other half pound of protein, and the ration will be well within the capacity of the animal and will be suitable in every way.

Of course, where straw must be fed instead of hay high protein foods must be used to some extent to bring up the proteins. Thus a straw ration might well be:

14lb. straw, 80lb. swedes, 2lb. cake.

Fed on either of these rations an 8½cwt. bullock will increase at the rate of about 2lb. a day, so that after a time the food must be increased. It should also be noted that as time goes on it takes more food to produce a pound-weight increase.

A common ration made altogether from home grown foods was called the "2, 3, 4," and it gives excellent results.

It gets its name from being composed of: 2 parts wheat, 3 parts barley, 4 parts oats. No "high power" food is used but the ordinary quantities of hay, straw and roots are allowed.

Here are a few rations in which high protein foods are included: Hay 12lbs., swedes 3 stone, oats 3lb., barley meal 3lb., bean meal 2lb., straw all they will take. Swedes and mangolds 5 stone, barley or oats 3lb., bean meal 3lb., ground nut cake 2lb., straw all they will take. Hay 14lb., roots 2 stone, dried beet pulp 5lb., barley, wheat or oats crushed 2lb., palm kernel cake 4lb. Straw 1 stone, dried pulp 6lb., roots 3 stone, barley, wheat or mixed grain 4lb., ground nut cake 2lb.

Many other suitable rations could be made up mainly from home-grown foods.

NOTES ON STOCK-FEEDING

THE MILCH COW

The feeding of the milch cow should be governed by the principle that she should get the exact quantity of food she needs and no more. The yield of milk will be a guide to this quantity for if she is not receiving enough for all her needs the yield will diminish.

It is useless and uneconomic to give the animal more than she requires. She will not, as a consequence of extra feeding, give more milk, for every cow has a sharply-defined maximum quantity of milk which she is able to give, and that maximum she cannot exceed.

Sometimes the object of the owner is to be liberal with food to a cow in milk with a view to having her fatten for sale during the lactation period and then sold. If the milk is a minor consideration, this is all very well; but if she fattens too early in the lactation period she will probably give less milk than if she was kept in more lean condition.

As to the nature of the food to be given to a milch cow, it should be remembered that milk contains a large proportion of proteins or albumenoids. Particular attention must, therefore, be given to the supply of proteins in the food.

Good hay—with emphasis on the "good"—is excellent fodder. But hay alone, no matter how good, is too poor in the richer constituents to keep a heavy milking cow up to full yield.

For the production of two gallons of milk some cake is essential, and a specimen ration which will suffice for such a yield is 25 lbs. of hay, 20 lbs. of roots and 3 lbs. of decorticated cotton cake.

BREWERS' GRAINS

If grains are available, much less cake will be needed; and when hay is scarce and roots are plentiful, a ration composed of 15 lbs. of hay, 40 lbs. of roots, 30 lbs. of brewers' grains and 1 lb. of decorticated cotton cake will meet the case.

Good oaten straw is often available, and is excellent fodder for dairy stock; but even good straw contains much less albumenoid, or protein, than good hay. If, therefore, straw is used, some additional cake should be given.

Brewers' grains are a good food for milch cows, and might be given freely, up to, say, 40 lbs. They contain a fairly large percentage of protein, and are bulky enough to take the place of coarse fodder.

Suspicion sometimes arises that the quality of the milk may be injuriously affected by certain classes of food. If the animal is in good health, the food will not affect the quality of the milk. Sudden changes of food may make a difference, but after a few days the effects of the change will pass away.

The most striking change takes place when the cows are put out on grass in the spring. The yield then increases, but the quality deteriorates.

Coisde na bPaisdi.—An important announcement concerning the Coisde na bPaisdi movement will be made at the children's ceilidh to be held on Saturday next, 4th inst., from 4 to 6 p.m., in the Teachers' Hall, Parnell square, and a full attendance of all who have been to the Gaedhealtacht on the scheme is anticipated.

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Vienna, Thursday.—M. Bogdan Philoff, Bulgarian Premier, and his entourage arrived in Vienna this evening.—(Associated Press.)

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Put the water, sugar, fat, raisins, spice and vinegar into a saucepan. Boil for 3 minutes. Cool. Stir in bicarbonate soda dissolved in warm water. Add flour and baking powder sifted together. Bake in a fairly slow oven, approximately 1½ hours. (Regulo 4 or 375°. Best size tin 6 in.).

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"I know we could all do with efficient mechanical manure spreaders, cowsheds through which we could run our carts to pick up the manure and take it straight on to the land, but only in comparatively few cases is this yet possible.

"Yet I think we, who are not so well placed as to own such great helps as these, shouldn't be disheartened at the expense of handling the muck, but should feel glad we've got it to handle, or our own farms would be going the wrong way, I'm sure.

"The trouble about muck all through the bad times has not been its cost of handling, so much as its cost of production.

"The handling, even the removal from the sheds and yards, carting and spreading can, after all, be made to fit in with the other work of a regular staff of men; in fact, most of it is collected and applied, either in winter when the men would never be doing anything else as profitable, or else between haytime and harvest or between corn harvest and potato-lifting time, keeping the men employed until another rush period and—what is often a most important point—keeping the efficient staff of a farm on that farm regularly."

—(From a broadcast by the Farm Manager, Harper-Adams College.)

Strangulation Suspected.—Mr. R. J. Nolan, Coroner, Kilkenny, adjourned an inquest held on the body of a male infant, which was found in a river at Birchfield in a charred condition. The medical evidence suggested strangulation as the cause of death.

Armagh Official Injured.—Mr. Thomas E. Reid, J.P., O.B.E., Secretary, Armagh County Council, is a patient in the County Infirmary suffering from injuries which he received when knocked down by a motor car as he was crossing Russell street, Armagh.

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2nd January, 1941.

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DIETRICH, DOUGLAS MARSHALL.
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RESTAURANT OPEN 1.30 p.m. to MIDNIGHT.

REGENT CINEMA, BLACKROCK.
CARY GRANT and ROSALIND RUSSELL, In
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ADELPHI Showing at 2.10, 4.27, 6.44, 9.01.
OWING TO RECORD-BREAKING ATTENDANCES THIS OUTSTANDING FILM HAS BEEN RETAINED FOR A THIRD WEEK.
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Tenders are invited for the following supplies to Prisons and the Borstal Institution, Cork:—
Bread, Meat, Milk, Potatoes and Margarine for the three months commencing the 1st February, 1941. No tender is required for bread in the case of Mountjoy and Portlaoighise Prisons, and no tender for potatoes in the case of Portlaoighise and Sligo Prisons.
Particulars and Forms of Tender can be obtained at each Prison and at Borstal Institution, Cork.
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The Irish Times
FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 1941.

Help from the West

Congress opens to-day, and on Monday President Roosevelt is expected to announce in some detail his plans for the assistance of Great Britain. By all accounts, any opposition that may arise will be largely a matter of form. The United States has taken very well to the President's proposal to alter the "cash-and-carry" into a "lend-and-lease" policy, and both Congressmen and Senators will be compelled—in view of the near approach of elections—to follow their constituents' lead. The whisper some months ago was that President Roosevelt's policy of "all aid to Britain short of war" was bound to embroil the United States herself in war. Feeling has changed radically since then, and the average citizen, as judged by the American Press, does not seem to care very much whether his country has, or has not, to fight. Neither Government nor people wants war, for the excellent reason that the country is not yet fit to engage in a major war, after years of inattention to its armaments; but they are prepared to accept the danger. Next week's session will not pass without outspoken words. President Roosevelt almost certainly will be asked if he has made every effort in his power to procure peace between England and Germany, and he almost certainly will reply, in the classic phrase, that he has done all that may become a man. The Americans, however, are realists to a surprising degree, and they will not waste an undue amount of words on the "pros" and "cons" of the President's proposal. They have consented to give help to Great Britain, the only remaining question is how much help they can afford to give, and what form it ought to take. They are keeping two objects steadily before their eyes. One is a regular and growing supply of munitions to the British: the other is the rearmament of their own nation. If Britain can hold out—so runs the argument—until they themselves are in a position to challenge all-comers, the world will be safe for democracy beyond all shadow of dispute. Already one-half of their total output of war material has been promised to Great Britain, but many prominent Americans hold that the proportion ought to be higher, inasmuch as Britain is bearing the brunt of the fight, and, if she falls, there will be little chance for the United States.

This alliance between a belligerent and a non-belligerent nation is one of the novelties of the present war; for, while America helped Britain during the Great War of 1914-18, her help was neither on so large a scale, nor was it granted with so deep a consciousness of a common cause. It has its parallel, however, on the other side. Russia stands to Germany in a very similar relationship to that in which the United States stands to Britain—with some striking differences. In the first place, Russian production, for all the vaunted success of the Five Years' Plans, is far inferior to America's, both in quantity and in quality. In the second place, there is a stronger intimacy between England and America than between Germany and Russia. Herr Hitler and Josef Stalin are, officially, on terms of the closest friendship, and their community of interest is so strong that we do not expect their alliance to be weakened for a very long time—it is far too useful to both. Yet the bonds that link the two Anglo-Saxon nations, being woven of sympathy, a common heritage and a common outlook, are stronger still. If American good-will could win the present war for Britain, it would be won; and, if good-will can be translated into a sufficient supply of munitions at a sufficient speed, Britain's chances ought to be extremely bright. Nevertheless, her people are under no delusions. They are confident that the weapons will come, but they realise that they themselves must hold out until the American factories are in full swing. One of their difficulties, at all events, has been set aside: they no longer are under the obligation to find cash for whatever they buy. It remains to be seen whether the difficulty in regard to shipping can be overcome with similar efficiency. Will the submarine and dive bomber become so formidable that the transport of arms from America is rendered too costly—and, if so, will President Roosevelt relax the second clause of his "cash-and-carry" legislation, so that American vessels may enter the danger zone? There is little doubt about the answer. He has gone so far already that it will make little difference how much farther he goes in this respect of assistance to Britain. We believe that the year will not pass without the complete withdrawal of limitations on the dispatch of arms from the United States.

Food for Pets

The presence of dogs and cats in many homes in Great Britain has proved to be one of the great problems of the food rationing system. At the moment, owing to the rationing of meat and the difficulty of obtaining dog biscuits, it is probable that many domestic pets are being fed with food from their masters' tables, food that is suitable for human consumption. The average man or woman realises, of course, that a human life is more important than the life of a dog or a cat, but is inclined to think that there is enough food in the country to last for some time, and that, in any case, the small amount that he gives to his pet could not possibly make any difference to the situation as a whole. Certainly the amount that one man's dog could eat would not make any appreciable difference; but, if every dog-owner acted in such a manner, the shortage of food soon would become more acute. An animal rationing scheme will come into force on the first of February, but domestic pets are not to be included in this scheme, and the Ministry of Food does not intend to ration them for the present. At the same time, the Ministry sees the necessity to prevent food suitable for human consumption being fed to dogs and cats, and accordingly has issued instructions which forbid such food to be given to animals under any circumstances. Furthermore, the new order states that all meat which is unsuitable for humans is to be coloured green. The special dye which is used for this purpose is said to have no harmful effect upon the animals which eat it, and the colour cannot be boiled out of the meat. The meat will be coloured in this way to prevent unscrupulous traders from selling as ordinary meat food which is only suitable for animals. There is little doubt that the scheme will meet with great approval among the people who possess pets; in this way it is possible for them to feed their pets well without the feeling that they are robbing the country of food which could be used for their less fortunate fellow-men. The only alternative to this system would be to rid the country of dogs and cats altogether, and not only would this be undesirable—it would be highly dangerous. The number of rats and mice in the country has increased tremendously as a result of the large piles of *débris* which have been deposited all over the cities as a result of air raids, and, if there were no cats and dogs, this number would increase to a still greater extent. It seems likely that the new system of dyed meat will satisfy everybody, provided that the animals themselves have no objection to eat green meat.

THE SUN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	9.41	9.41
Sets	5.19	5.21
Lighting-up Time	5.49	5.51

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Morning	3.55	4.45
Evening	4.12	5.1

HIGH WATER AT OTHER PORTS.

	Morning.	Evening.
Drogheda	3.43	4.00
Dundalk	3.40	3.57
Sligo	10.28	10.49

COURT AND PERSONAL

Constance Duchess of Westminster and Viscount Greenwood were among the guests at a luncheon party given during the week in London by the Spanish Ambassador.

Viscount Milton celebrated his thirtieth birthday earlier in the week.

Lady Mary Clive has given birth to a daughter.

Lady Gurney is in residence at Compton Regis, Shrivenham, Berkshire.

Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Dowding has arrived in Ottawa, where he will hold a conference with the Canadian Air Minister, Mr. Power, a number of Canadian Air officials, and the British Air Liaison Mission. He will proceed later to Washington.

Lady Amherst of Hackney has given birth to a son at Foulden Hall, Norfolk.

Lady Rowbowtham is in residence at Brooke, Isle of Wight.

Lady Nixon brought a party to the Leixlip Castle entertainment last evening.

Mr. Hugh Law, K.M., who arrived in Dublin from Marble Hall, Donegal, for the new year, is indisposed in a city hotel.

Dr. and Mrs. Barry, of Cork, have returned from London after attending the wedding of their son at Brompton Oratory on Saturday.

Mr. Hugh Maguire (son of Sir Alexander) is now in England.

Mr. Nesbit Waddington has arrived from England for a short holiday.

The marriage arranged between the Rev. Gerald Colin and Miss Iris Weir will take place quietly towards the end of the month.

At Switzers Sale—All the remaining Frocks in their well-known 59/6 collection (including Frocks in Silk, Wool and Novelty Fabrics) are now offered at 49/6 each.

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Richard Alan, 58 Grafton street, are showing a large variety of well-cut skirts in good quality materials from 6/11.

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Slyne's Sale. All models enormously reduced. For example: Wool dinner gown in moss green with silver bead embroidery, was 8½ gns., now 4½ gns.—Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

Winter Sale of Footwear now on.—Stephens and Bourke, Ltd.

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ON THE WIRELESS

IRISH PROGRAMME

6.30—Light Music. 6.40—Stocks, Sports, Announcements. 6.45—News. 7.0—Irish Programme. 7.30—Friday Orchestral Concert. 8.30—Ireland's Defences, No. 6. 9.0—Pantomime Relay from Queen's Theatre, Dublin. 10.0—News. 10.30—Musical Film Review.

B.B.C. PROGRAMME

7.0—Time, News, Records. 7.30—Exercises. 7.50—Records. 7.55—"Lift up your hearts!" 8.0—Time, News. 8.15—Talk on Food. 8.20—Records. 9.0—Theatre Organ. 9.30—Orchestra. 10.0—Records. 10.15—Time, Service. 10.30—Song Recital. 10.45—Health Talk. 11.0—Records. 11.30—Orchestra. 12.0—Two Pianos. 12.30—Concert. 1.0—Time, News. 1.15—Concert. 2.0—Records. 2.40—Theatre Organ. 3.0—Dance Music. 3.30—Catholic Service. 3.50—Songs and Piano. 4.15—Short Story. 4.30—Pantomime. 5.0—News, Talk in Welsh. 5.20—Children's Hour. 6.0—Time, News. 6.30—News (Norwegian). 6.45—Magazine. 7.15—Dance Music. 9.0—Exiles in Arms. 8.30—"Over and Up." 9.0—Time, News. 9.20—The Work in War. 9.35—"Think on these things." 9.40—Christmas Oratorios. 10.45—News in Gaelic. 10.55—Boss Quartet. 11.25—Dance Music. 12.0—Time, News.

FORCES PROGRAMME

6.30—Records, Time, News. 10.30—Theatre Organ. 11.0—To-day's Anniversaries. 11.15—Theatre Organ. 11.30—B.B.C. 12.0—Variety. 12.15—News (French). 12.30—Concert. 1.0—News (Dutch). 1.15—War Commentary. 1.30—Theatreland. 2.0—Time, Records. 2.40—Colour Fantasy. 3.0—B.B.C. 3.30—Theatre Organ. 4.30—Thirsty Work. 5.0—Time, Records. 5.15—News (German). 5.30—"Broadway Calling." 6.0—News (Dutch, French). 6.30—Pantomime Excerpt. 7.15—Radio Series. 7.35—Big Occasions in Sport. 7.55—Dance Music. 8.30—B.B.C. 9.0—News (German). 9.20—Radio Rhythm Club. 9.50—"Bits and Pieces." 10.30—Dance Music. 11.0—Close down.

RADIO EIREANN—
RELAY DUBLIN'S BEST PANTOMIME, QUEEN'S THEATRE, 9-10.
—(Advt.)

EDWARD D'ARCY McCREA

AN APPRECIATION

D'Arcy McCrea was by far the best of the students of anatomy during my undergradute days in the Dublin University School, and his career was marked by many records that are still unbroken. Circumstances had brought us together in a working partnership that had proved remarkably stable and profitable, in spite of widely diverging temperaments and aims. Like Dante, he was my guide through the inferno of the autonomic nervous system; like Sancho Panza, he followed me loyally through many absurd academic adventures. In the ordinary way of things, I suppose, he would have been regarded as unemotional, taciturn and severe. He combined a capacity for work with a tenacity of purpose that was little short of ruthless. All the usual scholastic trophies fell his way. The Cunningham Medal for Anatomy, the large gold medal at his Moderatorship, and an almost monotonous list of first honours and prizes. But I think his most typical act was when, in the midst of a busy term of hospital work, he took a sort of holiday trip to London and passed the Primary Fellowship Examination of the English College of Surgeons at an exceptionally early age.

Shortly afterwards he went into residence in Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital, and had many vivid experiences when the building was isolated during the Rebellion of 1916. These, however, are part of another and longer story that may yet be written.

The tangled circumstances of the late war brought us together again in England. McCrea, then a lieutenant in the R.A.M.C., had been set to work on the problem of food diseases, and, in collaboration with Dr. Jordan-Lloyd, had just solved the problem of the "rope" infection that was threatening to destroy the stocks of war bread. After a period of service in France, McCrea returned to Dublin and started to lay the sure but slow foundations of a surgical career. An attractive offer from Manchester robbed us of him, and he joined the Anatomical Department of Victoria University, and, in conjunction with Professor Stopford, published a series of important papers on the surgical anatomy of the alimentary tract. Soon after his arrival in Manchester McCrea was appointed to the staff of the Salford Infirmary, and his future as a surgeon seemed assured. Parallel with these activities ran his career as a tennis champion. I knew, of course, he was a first-class player—easily the best of his period, both in Trinity College, Dublin, and in Emmanuel College, where I was an undergraduate when he got his Cambridge Blue. But so modest and reticent was he about his successes that it was only by chance I came across a reference in some American magazine, in which his name was listed as sixteenth in the order of the world's best players of the season.

Six months ago McCrea's book was published—a surgical monograph of first-rank importance, and one that certainly would have assured his reputation in modern surgery. Every page bears witness of his skill and honesty, and is an anticipation of the things he would have done had death not written "Finis" to a fruitful career.

I have the card he sent me last week—an engraving of a ship in full sail to a shadowed destination. McCrea was a collector and a judge of prints, and chose all his gifts with discrimination. But who could have realised that his own dark voyage was so near at hand? He was not alone, for his wife and his two young children accompanied him, leaving only the ruins of his stricken home as a terrible memorial of the waste and brutality of modern warfare.

W.R.F.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

"CHURCH MUSIC"

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—A few days ago you published a letter from Dr. Larchet, in which he praised the choice and the performance of the music at the Consecration of Monsignor McQuaid. I had not the privilege of being at the ceremony, so I cannot say anything about the actual singing, but from the published programme of the music I doubt if it was entirely in accordance with the wishes of Pope Pius X. as laid down in that great Encyclical, *Motu Proprio*. Some of the composers' names had, I think, a rather un-Gregorian and non-polyphonic flavour. Of course, that may not be so, but as most of them were unfamiliar to me, I looked up my Grove and could find no mention of the names of which I was in doubt. In addition, I scanned the music lists of the Westminster Cathedral Choir, but could not find those composers.

However, that is not my chief reason for writing this letter. In the same issue of the *Irish Times* there is a report of the Thanksgiving Service at the Pro-Cathedral, which took place, as usual, on the last day of the year. On that occasion the Palestrina Choir—Palestrina, mark you—sang some carols, one of which was "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing." That is a well-known and quite good melody by Mendelssohn, but somehow it is not exactly the sort of hymn one would expect to hear from the Sistine Choir or the Choir of Westminster Cathedral. In other words, it is not Catholic Church music. It is sacred music, but there is a huge difference between sacred music and music suitable for performance at Catholic ceremonies, even non-liturgical ones, such as Benedictions, as laid down in the *Motu Proprio* and by the precepts of His Holiness Pope Pius XI. For example, the *Missa Solennis* in D of Beethoven and Bach's Mass in B Minor are both works of ethereal beauty, but they are not liturgical Masses, and were never intended to be subservient to the Liturgy. Likewise some small pieces of no musical value (apart from indecencies, like Gounod's "Ave Maria"—a perversion of Bach's beautiful Prelude in C) set to sacred words are just tolerable in the concert hall when sung by a consummate artist, like Count McCormack; but they are almost profane when sung not quite so beautifully in a Cathedral church. One fancies that Pope Pius X and many of his illustrious predecessors would just turn in their graves if they could hear some of the tea-shop stuff that is being bawled and drawled in our churches to-day.

Let us hope that our new Archbishop, being the great priest and scholar that he is, will do something to make our churches and the ceremonies more liturgical, more beautiful, more artistic, more Roman. One cannot help thinking that many of the things one sees and hears in our churches to-day are in complete contravention of the decrees of the Congregation of Sacred Rites.

In England immense strides have been made in recent years with liturgical reform, and one has only to go there to appreciate the beauty and grandeur of the Catholic Liturgy.

In this letter I have only touched on one aspect of the Liturgy, but architecture, altars and vestments, to mention but a few, are other matters that form part of the Liturgy.—Yours, etc.,

"BYRD LOVER."

January 2nd, 1941.

"DUBLIN 'BUS CRISIS"

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Permit me to make a brief reply to a letter, entitled "Dublin 'Bus Crisis," which appeared to-day.

My company issued a cautionary notice to 'bus drivers, calling for co-operation in conserving the stock of spare parts and fuel, by particularly careful driving.

Your correspondent, Mr. Robert N. Tweedy, having learned of this, suggests that our time schedules "shall be slowed down by 25 per cent," at least, so reducing normal wear and tear in a much higher ratio and lessening greatly the chance of damage arising from speeding and other causes." He adds: "The consequent reduction in service must be brought up to normal by additional 'buses."

I would point out:

(1) That to reduce the present average schedule speed by 25 per cent. would not reduce normal wear and tear. That it would affect the incidence of accidents at all is very doubtful, and it would increase fuel consumption because there would be increased running in the lower gears. The particularly careful driving we seek is far more important than slow driving to conserve fuel, chassis and body.

(2) It is difficult to import spare parts; it has been impossible ever since the war started to secure the chassis we ordered to complete our 'bus-building programme.

(3) If our fleet were increased 25 per cent. the need for spare parts would increase accordingly; and we would also require 25 per cent. more fuel to operate the extra 'buses.

Your readers may take it that my company is coping with its war-time problems in a business-like, common-sense way.—Yours, etc.,

L. A. LUKE,
Public Relations Officer.
D.U.T. Co. (1896), Ltd., 59 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin,
January 2nd, 1941.

PARKING PROBLEM AT LEOPARDSTOWN

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—With reference to Mr. Harold C. Brown's article in your issue of the 31st ulto., a simple solution would be to park all cars in circles backed on to a hub, the cars resembling spokes, with sufficient clearance allowed to each circle for any car to get away at any time. The only objection to this system of parking could be the matter of space, but at Leopardstown there is ample space. Additional entrances to the course would be necessary, with avenues leading to definite car parks as directed by sign posts. One entrance to such a course as Leopardstown seems to me to be totally inadequate.

I do not hold with Mr. Brown's suggestion of fixed times for cars leaving the car parks. Weather and runners conditions could easily make a motorist wish to leave an hour or so before his parking conditions allowed him to do so, and if the "apple of his eye" wished to go home and could not—well, things would be "ridiculous."

Regarding the crawling pace from the course until Stillorgan is reached, cars can go right and left when coming out on the road and so avoid this crush.—Yours, etc.,

"W. J. B."

Dublin, January 2nd, 1941.

NEWS SUMMARY

Bombers of the Royal Air Force on Wednesday night raided Bremen, dropping twenty thousand incendiaries and many high explosives on the great shipbuilding yards and factories and causing extensive fires.

Royal Engineers in London yesterday removed by means of dynamite a number of buildings that had been rendered dangerous by the recent fire.

The Archbishop of Dublin (Most Rev. Dr. McQuaid) has sent a letter to Dr. Wall (Bishop of Thasos) thanking him and all those who took part in the ceremony of consecration.

A Government spokesman in Athens last night said that, despite bad weather, the Greeks pushed their lines forward, crushing stiff Italian resistance and occupying some villages.

The *communiqué* from G.H.Q. Cairo said that British preparations outside Bardia go on uninterrupted by the Italians.

Three women were killed and two men were injured yesterday morning, when a bomb from an unidentified aeroplane fell on their house in County Carlow, destroying it. An aeroplane which flew over Dublin city early yesterday morning dropped bombs which wrecked two houses in the Terenure area and damaged several others, but caused no deaths. Two magnetic mines which were dropped by parachutes in the Enniskerry area are to be exploded to-day by Army engineers. At 8 o'clock last night another aeroplane dropped bombs in County Wexford, but caused no damage.

Moscow.—General Shadanko, Deputy Commissar for Defence, has been relieved of his post, it is announced here.—(Reuter.)

LONDON LETTER

PREPARING FOR THE FIRE BOMB

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
THURSDAY NIGHT.

THE decision of the Government to exercise some form of compulsion in connection with fire-fighting is generally welcomed on the part of the British public. It has been the almost general opinion in parliamentary circles that the Government has been too slow in putting into operation the powers it possesses regarding compulsion in civil life. So much is left to the public itself that the greater part of a really heavy burden is borne by a comparatively small number of patriotic citizens, while men and women who could be of very great value stand by and just watch, although when the need arises they are more than willing to act. The Emergency Powers Defence Act, passed in May of last year, gives the Government full authority to take any steps to compel service. The Act empowers the issue of regulations requiring persons to place themselves, their services, and their property at the disposal of the King as appears to him necessary or expedient for securing the public safety; the defence of the realm; the maintenance of public order or the efficient prosecution of any war in which His Majesty may be engaged, or for maintaining supplies or services essential to the life of the community. Under these all-embracing powers the Government will be able to commandeer the services of as many citizens as are required, and it will not hesitate to exercise the powers.

Compulsion for Owners

In the course of the next few days it will be compulsory for every building to make provision against the danger from incendiary bombs, and those responsible for the property will have to employ people to carry out this work if they themselves are unable to do it. The new body probably will be called the Fire Bomb Watchers, and its members will be called upon not only to locate the bombs, but to fight them as well. The task of protecting roofs in the City of London may be a difficult one, since in many cases the roofs of buildings are not easy of access, but this will be overcome.

Burning of Books

London publishers have been seriously affected by the recent fire bombing attack, and a number of the leading firms have lost everything for the moment. The result is that many books which were about to be issued will not be published for some time to come, and possibly not at all, although the publishers are trying to obtain duplicate copies of the manuscripts destroyed. One of the firms affected probably publishes more novels than nearly all the rest together. Like other businesses in the City of London, the publishers refuse to acknowledge defeat and say that business will soon be restored to normal.

Dangerous Buildings

Some of the burnt-out buildings in the City of London are considered to be so dangerous that they are to be blown up by dynamite, this task being entrusted to the Royal Engineers of the British Army. Of the famous Guildhall nothing remains but the lofty walls and the four corner towers or turrets. The building possessed a very fine library, including many valuable books, while there was an art gallery and museum in the crypt containing many relics of bygone days. All these have gone, and they cannot be replaced. It is rumoured that a millionaire may offer to rebuild the Guildhall after the war. This would be a generous move if true, as it is estimated that restoration will cost at least a million pounds. The contents of the building were unique and priceless, so that money could never restore them.

Lamp-post Beacons

London's luminous lamp-posts have proved a distinct success, and the experiment made at Hammersmith has encouraged other Metropolitan borough councils to consider this matter. The Minister of Home Security has given approval for the adoption of the principle of painting the lamp-posts with luminous paint, since it has been demonstrated that, while the posts can be seen at a distance of sixty feet, they do not involve any danger from the air. The scheme has passed out of the experimental stage, and it has now been decided that all posts in Hammersmith are to be made luminous.

IRISHMAN'S DIARY

Barney Kiernan's

I hear that a very interesting Dublin landmark finds place in next week's production at the Abbey Theatre, Roger McHugh's "Trial at Green Street Courthouse."

This is no less than Barney Kiernan's pub—which is a spot very well known, furtively, to the legal profession. Kiernan was one of the first bonders of a certain very celebrated brand of Irish whiskey, and for many years his premises supplied fire-water to customers ranging from the Savage Club, London, to firms in New York, South Africa and Australia. Indeed, bottles (empty) of his have been found in the Australian bush.

Kiernan's cellars stretched under Green street Courthouse, and barristers, doctors and solicitors used to throng his rooms, and there enacted for their own amusement the various incidents of prominent trials.

He made a feature in his premises of exhibiting pitchcaps, handcuffs, leg-irons, hangmen's glasses, and notes and coins forged in Dublin for the delectation of his over-awed customers.

In his windows the padlocks of the outer door of old Newgate prison lay beside a yard-high sugarloaf from the first consignment of loaf-sugar to sail up the Liffey.

"The Nineteenth Century"

The December issue of that admirable monthly, *The Nineteenth Century and After*, has just reached this office—approximately a month late. I wonder what story lies behind its lateness.

The Nineteenth Century and After provides an excellent warning against over-particularity—if I may coin such a word—in the choice of titles. It was founded as *The Nineteenth Century* in 1877, and its proprietors evidently had no hope, even in their wildest dreams, that it would survive until that title, for a topical review, should become an anachronism.

Yet the twentieth century dawned upon a flourishing *Nineteenth Century*—flourishing more luxuriantly than ever—and it was clear that something had to be done about the title. The old title obviously must have seemed too precious to lose, and the result was the curious postscript: *The Nineteenth Century—and After*.

Clumsy it may be, in one way, but it has the considerable advantage that there will be no need of a further change when the twenty-first century arrives—assuming that the review is still in existence then, as it certainly deserves to be.

Lambasting

My intention, however, was not to discuss the title, but to notice an interesting feature of this December issue.

An article by H. C. Ferraby, "The Material of Sea War," comments on Great Britain's shortage of cruisers, and lashes right, left and centre at the Government policy which allowed the shortage to exist.

An appreciation of Rudolf Olden, the celebrated German Liberal, who went down in the City of Benares, is prefaced by an editorial comment on "the ignorance and inefficiency with which the authorities of this country (Great Britain) treated Olden and many of his fellow-fugitives from National-Socialist despotism."

An article on "The Shelter—and the Public Health," by Anthony Weymouth, is a continued criticism of the British Government for its failure to do something about the Underground stations, in which so many Londoners are taking shelter.

"Stalin and Europe," by George Soloveytchik, is a warning against any assumption that Great Britain can expect help from Russia.

The British are a curious people. I wonder if an Irish Government would permit similar criticism in time of war. I doubt it.

Mr. Ambrose Clark

Mr. Ambrose Clark, the American veteran sportsman, must be missing his periodical visits to England and Ireland. Mr. Clark came over every spring and spent part of his European sojourn in Ireland.

Nowadays he has to content himself with the attractions of Westbury Park, his estate on Long Island. There he drives his coach and four to the races; and, as the racecourse is situated on his own property, other people can only get there if they chose to ride or walk the distance. No motor vehicles permitted—except, perhaps, an ambulance.

At the recent jumping meeting held there, the Meadowbrook Cup was won by Mr. Paul Daly's Mansfield Park—a very popular win with Mr. Clark and his friends!

A Quick One

Thank Heaven that even in the midst of tragedy there is always a bright spot.

I arrived at the scene of yesterday morning's outrage in Terenure within half-an-hour or so after the bombs were dropped, and found an intimate friend of mine already on the spot, lending what help he could.

The word went out that a

MORE BOMBS DROPPED ON DUBLIN THIS MORNING

HOW THREE WOMEN DIED IN CARLOW

Road near Enniscorthy Damaged Last Night

HOUSES WRECKED IN DUBLIN SUBURB

WITHIN twenty-four hours well over twenty high explosive bombs, as well as a number of incendiary bombs, were dropped in Dublin City and a number of the Eastern counties.

On Wednesday night and early yesterday morning bombs from unidentified 'planes fell in the Counties of Meath, Carlow, Kildare and Wicklow, while shortly before 8 o'clock last night three bombs fell near the village of Ballymurrin, County Wexford, but did no damage.

Two elderly women and a girl aged 16 were killed, and two men seriously injured, when a bomb destroyed the house in which they were sleeping at Knockroe, County Carlow, early yesterday morning.

Dublin City had its first experience of bombing yesterday morning, when high explosives fell at Rathdown Park, Fortfield road and Lavarna Grove. Two houses were demolished, and several others damaged. The occupants of some of them had to be rescued from the débris, but no lives were lost.

Three high explosive and many incendiary bombs fell in the Curragh area of the County Kildare early yesterday morning, but the only damage caused was the destruction of a quantity of hay on a farm.

Two magntic sea mines which were dropped by parachutes in the Enniskerry area of the County Wicklow, will be destroyed by Army engineers to-day. The occupants of adjoining lands are warned to have their cattle removed from the district before the explosions occur.

MAGNETIC SEA MINES AT ENNISKERRY

Two families were bombed out of their homes and into the snow-covered streets in the Terenure district of Dublin City at 6.15 a.m. yesterday, when a low-flying 'plane dropped two 500lb. bombs in Rathdown Park, and two more on waste ground near Kimmage Cross.

A woman was injured and several people had remarkable escapes. Two houses in Rathdown Park, Terenure, were completely destroyed, and neighbouring property was extensively damaged.

Shortly after midnight an unidentified 'plane flew over Dublin from north to south; at about 3 a.m. another 'plane passed over the city flying in a similar direction, and the 'plane responsible for the bombing appeared to fly over from the north side of the city shortly after 6 a.m. All four bombs dropped in the city area were heavy calibre high explosives, but owing to the fact that they fell on comparatively soft ground in all instances, much of their force was spent in the earth.

The first fell on the boundary wall of gardens at the rear of houses in Rathfarnham road and on the corner of Rathdown Park. These are occupied by Mr. S. Lapedus and Mr. T. W. Murphy, F.I.J. The explosive caused a crater some twenty feet wide by about ten feet deep and the blast of the explosion smashed the windows in the back of both houses. Rubble thrown from the crater—including many heavy stones—perforated the tiled roofs in several places, and about a hundredweight of *débris* fell into a back bedroom in the home of Mr. Lapedus. No one was injured.

HOUSES FALL INTO CRATER

The second bomb fell about four hundred yards away, landing some ten feet from the rear wall of Nos. 25 and 27 Rathdown Park—the residences of Mr Louis Isaacson, proprietor of Messrs Lewis (Dublin), Ltd., furniture traders, and Mr. Edward Plant, provision merchant, Lennox street. Here also much of the explosive force went into the ground, causing a deep crater, into which the back wall of both houses collapsed in a heap or rubble, bringing the roofs, ceilings and back bedrooms down with it. Mr. and Mrs. Plant, who were sleeping in a back bedroom, were buried under the *débris*, and a few yards away a similar experience befell little Jacqueline Isaacson, whose faint cries could be heard by her father and mother

Local A.R.P. Wardens, Local Defence and Local Security members, roused by the explosions, dashed into the Park, where they found Mr. Isaacson, with little clothes on him, rushing along the snow-covered roadway crying "Save my daughter." They tore away large quantities of *débris* to locate the eleven years old girl and Mr. and Mrs. Plant, all suffering severely from shock. They were taken to hospital in Fire Brigade ambulances, where Mr Plant and Miss Isaacson were found to be free of bodily injury, but Mrs. Plant had fractured some ribs and was detained for treatment.

MUCH DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

In both houses the *débris* fell clean through the ceilings and upper floors to the ground floor, smashing the greater part of the contents, while the supporting walls in the front and sides were thrown out of plumb, and were considered to be in a dangerous condition. In spite of this, Mr. Isaacson and a number of friends ventured into his home during the day in an effort to salvage whatever movable belongings had escaped damage and were accessible.

The explosion flung rubble and stones a distance of over two hundred yards, and hardly a house on the road bounding the park on the southern end escaped damage entirely. In numerous instances roofs were perforated by stones, and glass was smashed in doors and windows, while what had been neatly-kept lawns on Wednesday yesterday appeared as if they had been ploughed up, so great was the quantity of earth and stones deposited on them. The house of Mrs. O'Sullivan, 6 Rathdown Villas—well over a hundred yards away from the crater—was virtually stripped of its tiles, had its back windows smashed, its ceilings broken by stones and its garden covered with earth, which overspread the road in front of the house.

LAVARNA GROVE

THE THIRD AND FOURTH BOMBS

The third bomb, apparently from the same 'plane, fell about half a mile away at Lavarna Grove, where a number of new houses have been built and others are in the course of construction. The grove is quite close to Kimmage Cross. The bomb fell at a point on

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NOBODY KILLED: MANY INJURED

A heavy calibre bomb demolished two houses, and partly wrecked a third when it made a direct hit at Donore terrace, South Circular road, Dublin, at 3.56 o'clock this morning.

Several people are believed to be buried in the débris and other injured persons have been taken to the Meath Hospital.

About fifty houses have suffered serious damage. Glass in hundreds of houses in the area has been blown out, and the blast was felt beyond Harold's Cross Bridge.

Nobody was killed, it was learned at 5.30 this morning.

The Rev. M. and Mrs. Roith and their family are in one of the wrecked houses.

Mrs. S. Leventhal and her son had their home completely wrecked, and both were injured.

The Rev. Thomas Bole, Minister of Donore Presbyterian Church, whwich is within twenty-five yards of the wrecked houses, told our Reporter that he and his wife were in bed when the ceiling fell in on top of them. The inside of the Manse has been torn to pieces.

Leo Clery, 15 Greenville terrace, one hundred and fifty yards away from the wrecked houses, also was injured.

The houses demolished were 91 and 93 S.C.R. Rescue parties soon were working frantically to get out the injured, and in this work they were aided by soldiers.

A gas main was fractured.

Six to eight inches of débris was piled up on the S.C.R. between the Synagogue and the Parish Church.

Thirteen people were buried when the high-explosive bomb struck the pavement immediately in front of Nos. 91 and 93 South Circular road. Within half-an-hour twelve of them had been released by the fire brigade and numerous volunteers. All were unconscious, but apparently were not very badly injured. As we write efforts are being made to extricate the thirteenth victim.

The occupants of No. 91 were:—
Mrs. E. A. Day.
Mrs. G. A. Day.
Mrs. M. Stephens.
Miss H. Stephens.
Miss Reddy.

The occupants of No. 93 were:—
The Rev. M. Roith.
Mrs. Roith.
Miss E. Roith.
Miss R. Roith.
Miss B. Roith.
Master A. Roith.
Master D. Roith.

Miss Vera Keane had not yet been extricated as we go to Press.

In an interview Abraham Roith, aged 13, said that he was asleep when he was flung on the floor and half-buried in wreckage. The next thing he knew was that he was being carried by a doctor to a neighbouring house. Afterwards he was taken by ambulance to the Meath Hospital.

Within a few mintues of the explosion several ambulances were on the scene, including three of the Dublin Fire Brigade and the St. John Ambulance Brigade.

The South Circular road for about two hundred yards of the bomb crater on either side presents a scene of complete desolation. All windows seem to have been smashed. Roofs have been damaged by flying stones and the roadway is littered with débris of all kinds.

All those within a hundred yards of the scene were compelled to put out their cigarettes, as there was danger of a gas explosion.

Mr. Sean Moylan, Head of the A.R.P. Services, was an early visitor, arriving some fifteen minutes after the bomb fell. Miss Maureen Whelan, a Post Warden, of 12 Martin avenue, rendered admirable service. She was awakened by the smashing of the window of her bedroom, although her house is situated at a considerable distance from the scene of the explosion. Her brother was blown out of bed by the force of the blast.

BOMBS LAST NIGHT IN COUNTY WEXFORD

The following is the text of a statement on behalf of the Department of Defence:—

"About 7.45 this evening three bombs were dropped on the road about 400 yards from Ballymurrin, near Oylegate, Co. Wexford.

"There was no injury to life or property."

THE KNOCKROE BOMBING

THREE KILLED AND TWO INJURED

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

GORESBRIDGE, Thursday.

When an unidentified aeroplane dropped bombs at Knockroe, on the Carlow-Wexford border, near the Blackstairs Mountains, at 5.50 o'clock this morning, one of them made a direct hit on the dwellinghouse of John Shannon, Knockroe. The occupants at the time were:

John Shannon (45), his brothers, Patrick (48), James (43) and Michael (37); his sisters, Mary Ellen (44) and Bridget (38); Katherine (16), a daughter of John, and his son, Raymond (17).

All were in bed at the time. The sisters, Mary Ellen and Bridget, and their niece, Katherine, were instantly killed, while two of the men, Michael and James Shannon, received shocking injuries, and are in a precarious condition. The others were not seriously injured.

The dwellinghouse, a two-storey slated building, was destroyed, as were some outhouses, in which cattle were killed.

The bombs fell in the front and the rear of the house.

The bodies of the three victims were removed from the débris and placed in an adjoining outhouse. Dr. E. Dundon, and the Rev. W. Hayes, Borris, attended to the injured, who were removed later to the Carlow Hospital. Civic Guards, under Superintendents Ryan, Enniscorthy, and Chambers, Muinebheag, and a large force of military, in charge of Captain Hamilton, Woodbrook, arrived and carried out investigations. The stricken family, who were very popular, are prosperous farmers.

THE INQUEST

HOW THE BODIES WERE FOUND

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BORRIS, Thursday.

Dr. L. Doyle, Coroner, with a jury, held an inquest this evening on the victims of the bombing at Borris—Mary Ellen Shannon and Bridget and Katherine Shannon.

Superintendent Chambers, who conducted the case for the Guards, asked for an adjournment, after some evidence had been given, and the inquest was adjourned until next Tuesday.

John Shannon said that he slept in a room at the eastern gable, and about 6.45 a.m. he was awakened by a 'plane, and then he heard a crash. His house was wrecked, as the bomb fell directly on top of it. He managed to crawl out through a window on to the roof of another house, with his brother, Patrick, and his son, Raymond. He went to look for help, and when he got back to his house with other people they found his brother, James, lying moaning at the back of the house covered by debris; Michael Shannon he found lying at the back of the house with two big stones across his neck. They released him and then found his sisters, Mary Ellen and Bridget Shannon, and Katherine, his daughter, lying inside under a heap of debris. It took them half an hour to release them, and they were all dead.

Doctors P. Farrell and E. Dundon said that death in the case of Bridget was due to multiple fractures of the skull and laceration of the brain, and, in the cases of the other two women, asphyxia. The Coroner sympathised with the family in their loss.

THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT

SERIES OF BOMBS DROPPED

MAGNETIC MINES AT GLENCORMAC

The Government Information Bureau made the following announcement on behalf of the Department of Defence yesterday:—

A series of bombs were dropped in various parts of the Eastern Counties last night and early this morning.

The first bombs fell near Drogheda, five at Duleek and three at Julianstown. In neither place were there any casualties.

At 6.10 this morning two bombs were dropped at Rathdown Park, Terenure, Dublin. Two houses were demolished and several houses damaged. Seven persons were trapped in the demolished houses, but they were later rescued. There was no loss of life, but several persons were injured. Two other bombs were dropped in the Fortfield road and Laverna Grove area of the same district. These fell in waste ground. Some houses were damaged, but there were no casualties.

At Knockroe, near Borris, Co. Carlow, bombs were also dropped. Three persons—Mary Ellen Shannon (50), Kathleen Shannon (16) and Brigid Shannon (40)—were killed. Two others—James Shannon (40) and Michael Shannon (20)—were very seriously injured.

On the Curragh Racecourse three high explosive bombs were dropped, and a large number of incendiary bombs were also dropped in this area. A substantial quantity of hay and straw was destroyed at the farm of James Cox, Walshestown, near Newbridge. An incendiary bomb picked up near the Curragh was identified as German.

Bombs were also dropped in the Enniskerry-Kilmacanogue, Co. Wicklow, district. Some of these have been collected, and are being examined by experts.

TWO MAGNETIC SEA MINES

TO BE DESTROYED BY MILITARY

The Government Information Bureau stated yesterday, on behalf of the Department of Defence, that two magnetic sea mines, dropped by parachute from aircraft yesterday morning at Glencormac, in the townland of Stylebawn, near Enniskerry, are to be destroyed by Army Engineers to-day between 12 noon and 2 p.m.

Occupants of houses within a radius of from two to three miles of the mines are warned to open windows and doors and clear live stock from the land before noon until after the explosion of the mines.

On inquiry at Enniskerry last night the *Irish Times* was informed that the mines were very large, being about twice the size of a tar barrel. Approximately a dozen houses in the vicinity have been evacuated. The mines have parachutes attached.

MORE BOMBING LAST NIGHT

WEXFORD VILLAGE'S ESCAPE

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

ENNISCORTHY, Thursday.

Shortly before eight o'clock to-night bombs were dropped by an unidentified aircraft in the townland of Ballinkeele, just outside the village of Ballymurrin, Co. Wexford, about seven miles south of Enniscorthy. There were no casualties and no damage to property

The bombs—three in all—fell on the roadway and in a field between the entrance to Ballinkeele House (the residence of Mr. Valentine Maher) and the village of Ballymurrin.

Members of the L.S.F. in Enniscorthy were sent to the scene and took charge pending the arrival of the military.

SOUTH WALES TOWN FIRE-BOMBED

INTENSE BARRAGE AT RAIDERS

A town in South Wales was the main target for the German airmen during the night. Generally speaking, attacks were not heavy, although 'planes were reported in several parts. Casualties are not expected to be large.

Fire bombs were rained on the Welsh town, followed by high explosives.

'Planes passing over two eastern counties towns scattered incendiaries.

When the raid on the South Wales town ended early to-day an A.R.P. official said:—"It has been a very bad night. Fire bombs predominated, and we cannot compare the raid with the biggest made elsewhere. Casualties are very light, indeed, considering the scope of the raid, but it is impossible to check up numbers."

EXPECTATION

The attack began soon after nightfall, and it was early evident to the townspeople that they could expect their biggest ordeal yet.

Following the now familiar German technique, reconnaissance 'planes were followed by waves of raiders, which dropped thousands of incendiaries and then high explosives. Anti-aircraft guns put up the most intense barrage yet heard in Wales throughout the raid. Two cinemas were badly damaged, and shops, a commercial building and houses were also struck.

Many people were in cinemas and cafes when the attack started. Later the raid spread to two other districts, and some bombs were also dropped in a third area. Fire-fighting of a high order marked the raid, and civil defence services worked heroically. Home Guards were also called out to assist.

Civilians took the raid calmly. Telephone girls stayed at their posts during the attack, and there were factories in which work went on as usual. The rumble of coal trains mingled with the crash of bombs.

HINDOO TO BE CREMATED?

PERMISSION GIVEN BY NORTHERN GOVERNMENT

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

DERRY, Thursday.

An unique difficulty has arisen in connection with the funeral of a Hindoo who died in a Derry hospital. He was one of a number of Indians who reside in Derry City and trade as pedlars

When arrangements were being made for the funeral it was found that comrades of the deceased Hindoo stated it would have to take place according to their rites, which stipulate that the body must be cremated on a funeral pyre and portion of the ashes then sent to India to be put in the River Ganges.

The only crematoria, however, are in two cross-Channel cities.

Cremation in the City of Derry would not be permitted by the Corporation authorities, and the local Hindoos decided that a probable solution of their problem would be to take the body out to a country district and have it cremated there in their presence, as prescribed by their rites.

Some of them approached Mr. Patrick Maxwell, M.P., and the Ministry of Home Affairs, Belfast, was communicated with, it being pointed out that the man had died on Monday. The position is believed to be without precedent in the six counties, if not in Ireland.

This evening the Ministry telephoned that they would agree to the cremation taking place. It is learned that the ceremony will take place to-morrow beside a river in a rural district some miles from Derry City.

IRISH WOOL AFFECTED

NEW BRITISH ORDER

The British Minister of Supply has made an order, to come into force to-day, providing that no tops of cross-bred wool shall be spun, or subjected to any process, except under a licence granted by the Minister of Supply, or a special or general direction issued by the Minister.

Cross-bred wool tops are defined as tops which either contain any wool produced in the United Kingdom—other than the Orkney Islands, the Shetland Islands and the Outer Hebrides—the Isle of Man or Eire, or are of a quality described as "fifty-eights" or below.

Four workmen have been killed and three others seriously injured by the collapse of a ceiling covering the railroad exhibit building on the World's Fair ground, New York.

BRITAIN PREPARING "DECISIVE BLOW"

General Sir Walter Kirke, broadcasting last night, said:—"We must expect Hitler to try and regain the initiative in the spring or summer, as he can only do it—with his army.

"To meet this danger, we are forming a great army, which, I believe, will strike a decisive blow, where or when it is much too early to forecast."

ENGINEERS USE DYNAMITE

Clearing London's Wreckage

INCIDENT OF FUSE THAT FAILED

PRESS ASSOCIATION TELEGRAM.

LONDON, Thursday.

A TREMENDOUS explosion shook the heart of the City of London to-day, when Royal Engineers carried out their first blasting of buildings which had been made dangerous by fire. Hundreds of people waited to watch the operations.

Elaborate precautions were taken by the police and soldiers to ensure safety. No one was allowed in Newgate street except men engaged in the work.

Gun cotton was placed at the base of the building, and when all was ready the Royal Engineers withdrew.

At the barriers, 250 yards from the danger spot, Home Guards with fixed bayonets, withdrawn temporarily from their appointed posts, joined the police and the soldiers.

The crowd waited breathlessly, all eyes turned on the jagged, fire-stained outline of a building near the centre of the street. Nothing happened. The time for the explosion had expired.

There was a brief consultation. Then, as hundreds wondered, a Major of the Royal Engineers said quietly: "I am going to see what has happened." Without a word he was joined by a Lieutenant-Colonel of the Royal Engineers and a non-commissioned officer. Together they walked slowly along the street between deserted, ruined structures to the doomed building. They disappeared from sight.

THE CAUSE

At last the investigators reappeared. They had found that the time fuse had ceased to burn within an inch of the detonating point, probably because of a sudden obstruction. A fresh fuse was produced and set.

Everybody withdrew, and then the silence was broken by an immense report, accompanied by a pall of black smoke, shot through by sudden flame.

The crazy walls went sky high, *débris* shot around, and the cloud of smoke which had obscured the scene drifted across to St. Paul's in the background, causing the dome to disappear for a moment from the view.

When the Royal Engineers had completed their work they withdrew after inspection, and a demolition squad tackled the *débris*, near which a large clock still remained suspended.

It was stated to-day that a list is being compiled of many more buildings which will have to be blown up.

190,000 TONS OF WARSHIPS SUNK

GERMAN STORY OF SIX MONTHS' WAR

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

BERLIN, Thursday.

A report of the German High Command on war operations during the second half of 1940 claims that the German Navy and Air Force sank 190,000 tons of British warships in that period. It states that the Navy sank twelve destroyers, eight submarines, nine auxiliary cruisers, three gunboats, and 53 small war vessels, while the Air Force sank 33 naval units of various kinds.

As regards the campaign against shipping, the report says that, in co-operation with Italian submarines, the German Navy has had "even greater successes" against British shipping or shipping serving Britain.

It puts the total losses at 3,900,000 tons. The German Navy, it says, sank 3,200,000 tons and the German Air Force over 700,000 tons, adding: "These figures do not include sinkings due to mines laid in all seas. At least 264 merchant ships have been damaged with a tonnage of over 2,000,000 tons."

As regards the losses of the German Navy, the High Command lists these as three torpedo boats, five minesweepers, eight submarines, and twelve small vessels. "Some of these ships, however, could be salvaged and used again. Losses have been more than equalled by the building programme, which has proceeded without a hitch, and includes the heaviest warships, so that the strength of the navy is now greater than before."

Turning to the air war, the High Command report lists over 130 large-scale attacks, 350 attacks on the most important docks, and considerably more than 1,000 small attacks directed against military objectives.

It asserts that since June 25 the enemy has lost about three times as many 'planes as the German luftwaffe, and continues: The ratio of bombs dropped on Germany by the enemy to those dropped on the British Isles by Germany is 1-25.

"Most of the enemy bombs fell on residential quarters, including thirty civil and military hospitals and forty churches and cemeteries. Damage to military targets and targets of economic importance is slight. German war economy as a whole has not been in the least affected.

"The battle against Britain continues. Its effects on England are much greater than can be seen from outside; 1941 will prove this. Certain of victory, stronger and better-armed than ever, the German defence forces look forward to the coming year."

ONE PASSAGE WAS OMITTED

MOSCOW READS ROOSEVELT'S SPEECH

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

MOSCOW, Thursday.

President Roosevelt's fireside chat has been published fairly fully in the Soviet Press, which, however, does not mention his remarks about the despatch of various materials to Germany by Sweden and others.

President Roosevelt said that it was "no more unneutral for us to do that (and Britain) than for Sweden, Russia and others near Germany to send steel and ore and oil and other war materials into Germany every day."

ITALIANS QUIET AT BARDIA

British Preparations Continue

GREEKS MEET GREATER RESISTANCE

THE communiqué from General Headquarters, Cairo, yesterday, read: "LIBYA—The Italian garrison of Bardia shows no signs of activity, and is allowing us to continue our preparations and concentration without any interference. Other fronts—No change in the situation.

"Captured guns now counted over the extensive battlefield of Sidi Barrani, and during our subsequent advance into Libya, total 329, including 20 heavy and 48 light A.-A. guns."

The Greeks claimed new successes in the Tepeleni and Klissoura sector yesterday, where, after many weeks' hard fighting, the Italians are still resisting strongly. The situation on all fronts was said to be satisfactory, though details of the fighting were not available.

LUFTWAFFE TO HELP ITALY

"COMMON STRUGGLE" IN MEDITERRANEAN

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

THE German Air Force is to assist Italy in the Mediterranean, according to a statement by the official Italian News Agency yesterday. It says:—

"On the occasion of the arrival in Italy of some sections of the German Air Force, the chief of the Italian Air Staff, General Pricolo, has published an order of the day stating that a German air contingent will participate in the air and naval struggle in the Mediterranean, where the enemy is concentrating his forces, and is to be considered as a big Italian Unit.

"The common struggle will consecrate the brotherhood in arms between Italy and Germany."

Another Stefani message confirms that the Italian air contingent which had been operating with the luft-waffe against Britain had been withdrawn. This news is disclosed in the announcement that General Kesselring, Commander of the German Air Force in the West, has conferred the Adler Schild (eagle shield), a trophy which he himself created, on the corps. The award, according to the Agency, was bestowed on the occasion of "the repatriation" of the Italian Corps, to whose commander General Kesselring wrote thanking them for their "effective collaboration" in the fight. Only a group of Italian fighters will remain on the Channel, as a link "testifying to the continuance of the solidarity between Italian and German aviation."

The Italians (according to the British official communiqué at the time) lost 13 'planes the first time they came in contact with fighters of the Royal Air Force, on Armistice Day (November 11th), the Germans losing 12 machines the same day, against the loss of 2 R.A.F. fighters.

AUSTRALIAN ARMY IN PALESTINE

VISIT OF MR. SPENDER

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

JERUSALEM, Thursday.

The Australian Army Minister, Mr. Spender, and the Chief of the Australian General Staff, Lieutenant-General Sturdee, arrived in Palestine from Australia yesterday on a visit of inspection of the Australian Imperial Force. He conferred with Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Blamey, the Australian Commander-in-Chief.

In an interview, Mr. Spender said that he had come to discuss questions of administration directly, and to obtain a first-hand view of problems affecting the troops in the Middle East. Australia, he added, was "one hundred per cent. in the war effort," irrespective of class and political creed, and was determined to see it through.

HITLER GREETS MUSSOLINI

Hitler has sent the following New Year greetings telegram to Mussolini:—"As we enter the new year, my thought turn to you, Duce, in cordial unity. The coming year will see National-Socialist Germany and Fascist Italy in unshakeable faith and iron determination fighting until the final overthrow of the enemy. I greet you in this spirit, Duce."

Mussolini replied:—"Reciprocate with equal cordiality," and added: "In the year 1941 also our revolutions and our peoples will as before in proved fraternity fight and march side by side to victory."

Von Ribbentrop also exchanged greetings. —(Press Association.)

MR. ROOSEVELT AND ITALY

WHY MESSAGE WAS NOT PUBLISHED

The German News Agency, quoted by Press Association, publishes a message from Rome, which seeks to explain why the Italian people were not informed of the New Year message which President Roosevelt sent to King Victor Emmanuel.

"In answer to the attempt by British propaganda to assign special significance to this telegram and to draw consequences from the fact that it was not published," says the agency, "Italian circles state that it is not the custom to publish such telegrams in the Italian Press.

"As for the text, in which Mr. Roosevelt hopes for peace with justice for Italy, we are in full accord with this, especially as peace with justice was an expression created by the Axis, which is fighting for this very thing.

"Such a peace would naturally mean for Italy the freedom of her means of communication, freedom of her seas and freedom for Europe from British interference and tutelage."

Recent heavy fighting on the northern front in Albania has given place to a lull in which both Greeks and Italians are fast preparing for the big battle, which a complete change in the weather conditions makes imminent, says the Press Association. Warm southerly breezes, bringing rain, have replaced the cutting north winds and are melting the deep snows, amid which there has been much bitter fighting. Low hanging clouds have made air activity out of the question, and operations have been confined to artillery duels, following a night-time change of gun positions effected by both sides. Both the Italian and Greek commissariats and transport organisations are feverishly preparing for the main struggle in this sector, which is expected at the week-end.

ATTACK REPELLED

In authoritative military circles in London yesterday it was stated that an attack by the Italians in the Epirus sector had been repulsed. There is no official confirmation that the Italians are preparing to evacuate Valona, nor of their preparation of a second line, although that would be the normal military provision for a military retreat.

The Greek High Command *communiqué* last night stated:—"There has been successful local actions. We captured prisoners, and a number of machine-guns fell into our hands."

BARDIA RAIDED

Yesterday's *communiqué* from the R.A.F. Headquarters, Middle East, states:—During the night of December 31-January 1 bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. carried out raids on aerodromes at Tmimi and Gazala. Further raids on the same landing grounds were made yesterday. At Gazala three enemy aircraft were destroyed and a number of others seriously damaged. All bombs burst in the target area at Tmimi, causing fires and damage to dispersed aircraft. Bardia was raided last night, and, while all bombs burst in the objective area, details of the damage were not observed. Derna was attacked yesterday, and one aircraft on the ground suffered a direct hit and a number of others were probably damaged.

A DIVE ATTACK

In Italian East Africa, adds the *communiqué*, aircraft of a Rhodesian squadron destroyed a number of buildings in Sabderat, while other aircraft of the same squadron carried out a dive attack on enemy positions at Keru, fifty miles east-north-east of Kassala. Motor transport vehicles were destroyed, one very large fire was started, and several anti-aircraft guns silenced. From all these operations our aircraft returned safely.

SHIP SUNK IN ADRIATIC

A vessel of unknown nationality has been torpedoed on the high seas off a Yugoslav port by a Greek submarine, according to a Belgrade dispatch to the Havas Agency.

The ship went down, and efforts made by Yugoslav authorities to save the crew were in vain.—(P.A. War Special.)

TO THE LAST BREATH

"We begin 1941 resolved to fight to the last breath until the enemy has been exterminated," said General Metaxas, the Greek Prime Minister, in a New Year message to the Greek people.

"We begin 1941 in the knowledge that our struggle will be long and hard, and that we shall suffer, but we are determined, and we will endure all in order to bring our struggle to a conclusion worthy of our Greece," he said.

our great Ally," the General added: "Let us our great Ally, the General added: "Let us step forward with the same courage as hitherto."

LIGHT DAY RAIDS ON ENGLAND

FEW CASUALTIES AND LITTLE DAMAGE

PRESS ASSOCIATION TELEGRAM.

Raiders yesterday dropped bombs on the London area and on the Merseyside and other parts of England, but the attacks were light and little damage was reported.

Last night's British Ministry of Home Security *communiqué* stated:—

"During daylight to-day there has been little enemy air activity in some coastal districts. Bombs were dropped in one town in Kent which caused little damage and only a few minor casualties.

"Reports received since the last *communiqué* was issued show that a small number of persons was killed when a single enemy aircraft dropped bombs in a town in the West of England shortly before dawn this morning."

An "alert" was sounded in the London area soon after dark last night. It came much earlier than that of Wednesday night.

Raiding 'planes were believed to be over a town in South-West England, another in the West, and a third in South Wales.

Anti-aircraft guns fired on 'planes as they passed over an Eastern counties town early in the evening.

House property was damaged by incendiary bombs in another Eastern counties town. There is so far no report of any personal injury.

KING'S MESSAGE TO POLISH PREMIER

General Sikorski, Polish Prime Minister, has received the following telegram from King George in reply to a cable with New Year's wishes:—

"Deeply touched by your kind wire. Please accept my very best wishes for yourself and your gallant forces, whose valuable contribution and determination in our mutual struggle I always follow with the keenest interest."

The condition of Oroman Escobar, a seaman, who was admitted to the Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast, on Wednesday with bullet wounds in the chest, was stated yesterday to be a little better.

ARCHBISHOP EXPRESSES HIS THANKS

HIS Grace the Most Reverend Dr. McQuaid has addressed the following letter to the Most Reverend Dr. Wall, Bishop of Thasos:—

Archbishop's House,
Dublin.
2nd January, 1941.

MY LORD BISHOP,

I should like to take the earliest opportunity to express my thanks to all who co-operated in the ceremony of my Episcopal Consecration on the Feast of St. John the Evangelist.

To your Lordship, first of all, I must say that I am grateful, for, during these ten months you have ruled the diocese with such prudence and gentleness, that on my accession I am given a See, at peace within itself and vigorous in the practice of religion. Further, in the persons of your Lordship and the Pro-Vicars General, it is allowed me to salute with admiration a priesthood, whose generous faith and loyal obedience are at once the explanation of the devotedness and the charity of the faithful of this city and diocese.

One would, indeed, be insensible who could fail to appreciate the fervent manifestation of loyalty and respect to this See which have declared themselves so evidently within the past few weeks. There is no need for me to state with emphasis the appreciation felt by me for the prayers and congratulations of the clergy, secular and regular; their presence in such large numbers on the day of my Consecration is a precious encouragement. To each and every person I wish to acknowledge my debt of gratitude. I thank the Government for the generous tribute of its congratulations, and more particularly for the honour of its presence at my Consecration. With the latter compliment, paid to this ancient See, Dail and Senate, Diplomatic Corps, Civil Service, Army, learned societies, organisations devoted to every form of social activity, have with kindly fittingness, graciously been identified. Nor may I omit the very many who, though not of my flock, on this occasion have courteously paid me the compliment of calling in person to offer the expression of their good wishes or who were pleased to be present at the ceremony of Consecration.

Convents and schools in the whole diocese, one might well say throughout Ireland, have, after the manner of religious sisters, lent the invaluable aid of intercessory prayer.

No function of the Church could be complete without the poor of Christ. I thank them very specially for their prayers, and may I be allowed to say that only the thronging multitude of the poor could adequately satisfy a Bishop that the full rites of his Consecration Day had been suitably witnessed and fulfilled.

It has been a privileged honour to be consecrated by the Cardinal Archbishop of Armagh, with the assistance of Your Lordship and the Senior Suffragan of this Province. To those who imposed their hands in giving me the fulness of the Priesthood I owe a gratitude that must endure even in the world to come.

The presence of the Nuncio Apostolic, representative of Our Holy Father, Pius XII., has been to the whole diocese and to me a source of pleasure that no other personage could have given. The Bishops of this country and the special representative of His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster deserve our due thanks for their gracious attendance at a function whose proximity to Christmas must have made it very inconvenient to be absent from their Sees.

It remains for me, who have been chosen by a Providence of God, which reverently I may call inscrutable, to assure Your Lordship, and through Your Lordship the clergy and all the faithful of this diocese, that it will ever be my aim, humbly and constantly, to live and rule according to the prescriptions of the Church and the traditions of this See. Only the grace of God can help me to achieve this purpose.

Therefore, I recommend myself and all my work to the prayers of Your Lordship, of the clergy and the faithful, most especially the poor and children, that, by the intercession of Our Lady, in whom I so completely trust, I may, in gentleness and vigour of charity, bear testimony always to the Truth of Christ.

I beg to remain,
My Lord Bishop,
Yours very devotedly in Christ,
✠ JOHN CHARLES MCQUAID,
Archbishop of Dublin.

THE ARCHBISHOP OF LIVERPOOL

Flying to the consecration of Dublin's new Archbishop, Archbishop Downey, of Liverpool, was marooned on the Isle of Man, and missed the ceremony. This was disclosed yesterday by *The Universe*, which says the 'plane twice crossed the Irish Sea without being able to land. Robes which the Archbishop was to have worn at the consecration were lost "through enemy action."—(Press Association.)

FATAL FALL FROM CLIFF

KERRY TEACHER THE VICTIM

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

DINGLE, Thursday.

John Moynihan, a 25-year-old national teacher, unmarried, a native of Moorstown, Ballydavid, Dingle, was killed this evening when he fell down a cliff at Duneen.

He was accompanied by another teacher named Kennedy, and was walking along the cliffs when he decided to climb a high precipice. Kennedy decided to meet him at the summit. Looking down from the summit he saw Moynihan slipping, and heard him shout: "I can't make it." Immediately afterwards he saw him rolling down to the bottom of the precipice.

The body has been recovered, and an inquest will be held to-morrow.

FIRE AT LISSADELL INDUSTRIES

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

SLIGO, Thursday.

An outbreak of fire at four o'clock this morning destroyed the staff offices, hardware store and needlework department at the well-known industries owned by Sir Josslyn Gore-Booth at Lissadell, Sligo. Sir Josslyn's private office was also destroyed, and the riding school badly damaged. The alarm was given by residents returning from a dance in Sligo, and within an hour Sligo's recently-installed fire engine was on the scene, and splendid work was performed in saving the remaining industrial departments. Sergeant O'Hagan, local Gardai and L.S.F., with Mr. Angus Gore-Booth and Mr. L'Estrange, valuably assisted the brigade.

Insurance at low rates with Phœnix Assurance Co., Ltd., 10-12 Trinity street, Dublin. R. H. Bolton, Manager. Agents everywhere. —(Advt.)

GERMANS KNOW BRITISH CODE?

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

CANBERRA, Thursday.

"The Australian Naval Board are investigating statements by rescued survivors that the German Pacific raiders possess information indicating that they know the British Admiralty code for communicating with merchant shipping," Mr. Hughes, Australian Navy Minister, announced to-day. Interviews with survivors give no hint of the whereabouts of the base where the raiders' supply ships are refuelled and refitted.

THE SHORTAGE OF PETROL

SOME OF THE DUBLIN STATIONS CLOSE

BIGGER FIRMS BADLY HIT

No further supplies of petrol were delivered to the Dublin garages and petrol stations yesterday, and before night there was very little petrol to be had in the city. Most garages yesterday were reserving what spirit they had for regular customers, and even they had to be content with a small ration. The only "strangers" who had any hope of getting petrol at most of the garages were doctors.

There were noticeably fewer cars in the streets of the city than is usual, but this probably was due to the frozen condition of the roads and to the fact that the police had announced that they would investigate every case in which an untaxed car was in use, than to a shortage of petrol at this early stage. Usually, of course, motorists can count on nine days' grace at the beginning of the new taxation period before the authorities will descend on them, but this year they are obliged to pay the tax at once if they wish to continue to use their cars. The result was a rush to the registration offices yesterday. There seemed to be more people than ever taking out motor licences, but when the registration figures come to be published it may be found that there has been a steep decline in the number of cars taxed for the current quarter.

BIG GARAGES HIT

The restriction of petrol supplies has affected the large suppliers much more severely than the small concerns, and there is considerable dissatisfaction among the large garages with the present administration of the scheme. Under the existing arrangement every petrol dealer, irrespective of the size of his normal trade is entitled to 200 gallons from the distributing company or companies with whom he is registered as a customer. Thus, if he deals with three companies and sells three brands of petrol, he has been allotted 600 gallons of spirit—no regard being taken of whether his normal sales amount to 500 or 5,000 gallons a week.

The small garages, of course, have no complaint; but the large concerns feel that a more equitable system of distribution might have been devised, and that a more reasonable system would have been to apportion the available supplies of petrol according to the average weekly consumption of the customer. One large city garage, for instance, which happens to deal with only two companies, receives a mere 400 gallons to meet a demand which amounts normally to 5,500 gallons a week. Its position at the moment is almost desperate; whereas, hundreds of small suppliers—particularly in the country—have as much petrol as ever.

Many petrol stations in the city did not open at all yesterday, reserving what small supplies they had left for the use of strictly regular customers. A number of people who motored from the country—one person from Donegal—to spend the Christmas holidays in Dublin have been obliged to return by train. Their cars—with their empty petrol tanks—remain behind in Dublin.

The authorities are not satisfied that car users are co-operating to the fullest extent required in conserving petrol. They say that cars are being used which are clearly not necessary for business purposes. Many cars are coming up from the country bringing people who could easily make use of the public transport services. There is a suggestion that if economy is not achieved voluntarily it may have to be achieved in another way.

MATRON'S CHARGES AGAINST A NURSE

EVIDENCE AT NORTHERN SWORN INQUIRY

Allegations that a nursing sister had repeatedly flouted her authority were made by the Matron of the Whiteabbey Sanatorium when the sanatorium inquiry was continued by two officers of the Ministry of Home Affairs yesterday.

The Matron (Miss Lamb) said that she frequently had to report Sister Houston's conduct to the Medical Superintendent, but it had no effect. Shortly after taking up her appointment at Whiteabbey she found Sister Houston in the doctors' residence talking to the two residents and the housekeeper at two o'clock in the afternoon when she should have been in her ward. Witness said nothing, but closed the door and went to the telephone box. Sister Houston followed, and said that she had been speaking to the doctor about some injection. That was the start of all the unpleasantness at Whiteabbey.

The Matron described how an injection of calcium chloride was given to a patient by a nurse on the instructions of Sister Houston. In October last there was an air raid alarm, and the Sister failed to get up. A probationer was sent upstairs, and witness 'phoned to each ward asking if the Sister were on duty. The nurse on the top flat said that Sister Houston was not on duty, and witness told a probationer to go up and tell her. There was a light showing from her bedroom, and witness thought that she was dressing, but said that the light should be put out. Sister Houston, however, did not get up, although the alarm lasted for an hour. She did not get up for a second alarm that night. Witness went up to her room, and, finding her in bed, asked her why she did not get up, but she did not speak. Next morning she said she did not hear the bell.

"These are only a few things," said the Matron, "but if I had noted everything every time this Sister has been rude to me I think it would fill many a book. My whole point here is that I would like to impress upon you that I had trouble with this nurse, and I think myself all my trouble here has been caused through the Sister."

TO SUPPLEMENT ARMY PAY

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

CORK, Thursday.

At Cork County Council to-day the Secretary said that a letter had been received from one of the commanding officers of the Defence Forces inquiring whether the Council were doing anything to supplement the Army pay of a former road ganger, who had earned £2 2s. 7d. per week from the County Council, joined the Army in July, and was now getting 13s. 2d. per week. He had a mother, brother and sister dependent on him.

The Chairman, Mr. D. L. O'Gorman, said that if the Council gave it in this instance they would have to grant it to others.

Mr. Sheehy—If we are going to support this racket we'll have a nice thing to pay.

Mr. Keane objected to the use of the word "racket."

Mr. Roycroft—I thought it was voluntary.

Chairman—And it would be voluntary for us to give this.

It was decided to get a report on the numbers of employés who had joined up, with a view towards ascertaining the cost of a possible supplementary allowance.

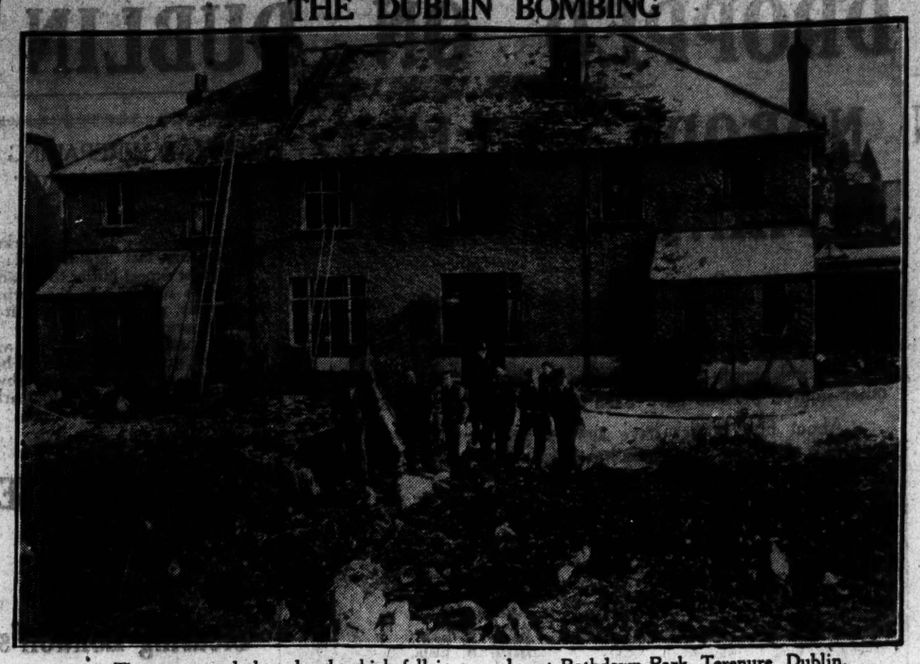
TO PREVENT LEAF-FALL

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

ROME, Thursday.

A claim to have made a discovery which should prevent leaves from falling in autumn is made by two Swedish scientists, Professor Svedbergs and Professor Tiselius, says a Stockholm despatch. They claim to have succeeded in isolating substances from cells which, by rendering inactive the enzymes of certain plants, will check the autumnal fall of leaves.

THE DUBLIN BOMBING



The crater made by a bomb which fell in a garden at Rathdown Park, Terenure, Dublin.

THE TERENURE BOMBING

(Continued from Page 5, Column 1.)

undeveloped ground which later on will be the centre of a street, and the nearest house is only one hundred feet away. Most of the force of the explosion here went into the air, and this accounted for the fact that houses farther away received greater damage than those nearest the crater. Windows were smashed in many homes, and the occupants were busy filling up gaps in the doors and windows with cardboard. Roofs were also damaged—in at least two instances severely—and débris fell through the ceilings into the bedrooms. Several people had narrow escapes from injury.

About two hundred yards away, on the same plot of ground, the fourth bomb caused another large crater, but did little or no damage because of its distance from the nearest houses. Explosive experts from military headquarters, who were early on the scene, assisted by the police, found many pieces of the bombs, among them several large fragments which landed in front gardens.

Houses over a large area in both districts were badly shaken by the explosions, and many people took refuge underneath their stairways.

EXPERIENCES OF RESIDENTS

BOY RESCUED BY HOUSE-MAID

Several people had stories to tell of unnerving experiences. Mr. Isaacson, who obviously was badly shaken by his ordeal, told an *Irish Times* reporter that when the crash came—which almost threw him out of the bed—he had no idea of what had happened. Then he heard the faint cries of his daughter, and was astonished to find that his house was literally in ruins about his head.

"I saw the awful mess," he said, "and I ran downstairs and out into the street shouting for help. The police and the A.R.P. men came at once and went into the house, but they refused to let me in again. You can imagine my feelings when they took out my wife and daughter; I thought that my daughter had been killed.

How four years old Geoffrey Isaacson was rescued by Mrs. Isaacson's maid, Miss E. Brennan, was modestly told by the rescuer. "My bed," she said, "seemed to have been lifted up from the floor, and the ceiling fell in on me. I heard little Geoffrey screaming, and I dashed out somehow, pulled him out of the bed and began to get him downstairs in my arms. The stairs broke and we fell down, but some men came and took us out. Miss Brennan was sleeping in a room adjacent to Miss Jaqueline Isaacson, and she does not know how she managed to get out of it. "I could hear her crying," she said, "but she was buried under the masonry, and she seemed to be down in the dining-room. When she was taken out her great worry seemed to be her mother, and after hearing that she was all right, she was quite herself again."

Jacqueline Isaacson, who was taken out from underneath beams and masonry by A.R.P. workers, who dragged away the débris with their hands, said that she had not heard the explosion, and the first thing she knew was that the bed and the whole room was shaking and falling, with much dust and flying glass. "Then the whole roof seemed to come in on me, and I was choked with the dust. I screamed, and I could hear my father calling me. It seemed a long time before I was taken out, but, except for a few bruises, I was all right."

MILKMAN'S ESCAPE

Mr. P. Wilson, Swords, who was delivering milk near Templeogue Village, saw the 'plane at about 6 a.m., and the car actually was going into Rathdown Park when the first bomb fell quite close to him, swinging his car about. He was in a half-dazed condition when he rushed into the nearest house for shelter.

Deputy Warden Flood, who, with Deputy Warden Batt and Wardens Aylward and Collins, effected the rescue of the buried people, said that they had to tear away a considerable quantity of material before they got to the three people who were buried. "We got a man and a woman in the débris at No. 25 (Mr. Plant's) and a child at No. 27" (Mr. Isaacson's), he said.

Mr. Ml. Doran, Group Leader, L.D.F., said that he thought the 'plane came from the direction of Blackrock and crossed the golf links at Rathfarnham. Houses for a thousand yards around Rathdown Park, he said, were shaken. With Mr. Doran on the rescue work were his four sons and Messrs. James Haskins, D. L. Thornton, Patrick Collins, P. O'Brien and J. Kearney.

Mr. Stanley Lapedus, son of Mr. Simon Lapedus, had a remarkable experience when the bomb burst behind his home at the junction of Rathfarnham road and Rathdown Park. He was sleeping in a back bedroom, and he said that the first thing he knew was a blue flash, and then stones started to come through the ceiling on his bed.

"I dived out of the bed and dashed into the other rooms to see how my parents were," he said, "and then all of us went under the stairs."

TERRIFYING EXPERIENCE

Mr. and Mrs. B. White, of 25 Lavarna Grove — where, curiously enough, the most damaged houses were Nos. 25 and 27—luckily escaped injury when large stones from the bomb crater fifty yards away crashed through their roof, and fell in their bedroom. The children in the house started to scream when the windows collapsed, and for a few moments Mr. White, who is a member of the L.S.F., was unable to get to them because the door was blocked with *débris*. After looking after his family he went to Rathdown Park and reported that he had been "thrown out" on duty. Next door Mr. White had a similar experience, and across the road at No. 10 a four years old daughter of Detective Officer P. Ledwedge saved herself from injury by stones by covering her head with the bedclothes.

Mr. A. Benson, director of the well-known Dublin jewellery firm of that name, lives beside Mr. Plant, but his house received comparatively light damage, only the scullery being destroyed and the roof smashed by large stones, which caused damage in the bedrooms at the rear, as well, of course, as blast damage to windows, all of which were broken. One large stone fell in the front porch, having first broken through the roof. None of his family was injured, though some of them suffered from shock.

Beehive shelters standing in the gardens of Mr. Benson's house and Mr. Isaacson's house were undamaged, but Mr. Benson's garden was covered with over a foot of earth.

BRIGADE'S QUICK TURN-OUT

The Dublin Fire Brigade was on the scene within ten minutes of the explosions. In response to a telephone call at 6.22 from Mr. John McColl, of 19 Rathdown Park, two sections of the Brigade and two ambulances were rushed to Terenure. As there was no fire the firemen immediately concentrated on rescue work, and the first person to be rescued from under the fallen masonry was Jaqueline Isaacson (aged 11), little the worse for her experience. Next the firemen released Mr. Edward Plant, and then they set about the major task of releasing Mrs. Plant. The ceiling had fallen in and portion of the roof had collapsed on top of her, and this had to be removed before she could be extricated. Although she was over sixty years of age, and had suffered at least one broken rib, she was quite cheerful, and even assisted the firemen in their efforts to release her.

The rescue work had been completed within half an hour—which speaks highly of the energy and efficiency of all those engaged in the task.

One officer of the Fire Brigade commented on the coolness and courage of the people who were trapped in the wreckage. There was absolutely no panic, he said, though many of them must have thought that their last hour had come. Indeed, if the bomb had fallen a few feet nearer the houses most of the occupants would have been killed.

VISITORS TO THE SCENE

Among those who visited the scene and were shown the ruin caused by the bombs were the Archbishop of Dublin (the Most Rev. Dr. McQuaid), accompanied by the Rev. J. Canon Sheehan, P.P., Terenure; Mr. de Valera, Mr. F. Aiken, Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence; Mr. Sean Moylan, head of the A.R.P. branch, and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Co-ordination of Defensive Measures; Mr. Kevin Haugh, K.C., Attorney-General, and a number of public representatives, including Alderman A. Byrne, T.D., who was an early visitor. They were shown around the damaged houses by Air Warden R. Flood, Group Leader E. Davy, Inspector Sheridan and members of the L.S.F.

SEVERAL BOMBS AT DULEEK

LITTLE DAMAGE DONE

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

DROGHEDA, Thursday.

Residents of Duleek were awakened at ten minutes to seven this morning, when a series of terrific explosions shook the houses in the village and broke several windows. Duleek is four miles south-west of Drogheda, and is in County Meath.

Nine bombs fell in the vicinity of the Great Northern Railway Station, and the flames which lit the sky could be seen for miles around. Five of the bombs dropped on the lands of Mr. John Dowling (who lives at 74 Lower Gardiner street, Dublin) on one side of the railway line, and on the other side two exploded on the lands of Mr. Thomas Mullen, Newtown, and two on the lands of Mr. Robert Mooney, Duleek. Telegraph wires along the railway line between the craters were broken.

The wall separating Mr. Dowling's place from the commons was shattered in two places by the bombs, which fell close to them. Heavy masonry and rubble was scattered across the Commons road, making it impassible. Two bombs fell about twenty yards from a two-storey residence, which, fortunately, was unoccupied. The shuttered windows were blown out and glass littered the lawn in front. The exterior walls were pitted with holes made by bomb splinters. The interior of the house was badly damaged.

There were nine craters, five of them close together, and some were caused by incendiary bombs. Between two craters in Mullen's field was found the mangled body of a hare.

THE CURRAGH AREA

MANY INCENDIARIES DROPPED

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

THE CURRAGH, Thursday.

At 6.45 o'clock this morning an unidentified 'plane approached the Curragh area from a north-easterly direction and dropped incendiary bombs at Walshestown, one mile and a half from The Curragh Camp. One of these fired hay and straw in a haggard attached to the farmhouse of Mr. J. Cox. The Curragh Fire Brigade, who were summoned by telephone, confined the fire to the haggard. Approximately 200 tons of hay were destroyed.

The 'plane, which was seen by many observers, also dropped a number of incendiaries in the immediate vicinity, which fell in open country around the farm of Mr. Patrick Sheridan, Walshestown. No material damage was done.

At least two unexploded incendiary bombs are now in the possession of the military authorities.

Incendiaries were also dropped on the Aga Khan's farm at Ballymany, less than a mile from The Curragh Camp. No damage was done.

Eye-witnesses who described the scene confirm the statement that the 'plane approached from the Naas direction, dropping incendiaries and flares over Ballymany and Walshestown. The military at The Curragh Camp were for the most part at the "stand-to," but A.A. defences did not come into action.

MASONIC GIRLS' SCHOOL

The Board of Governors of the Masonic Girls' School will meet in the Freemasons' Hall, Molesworth street, on Tuesday next, at 5 o'clock.

A FATEFUL CONGRESS

WILL DECIDE ON AID FOR BRITAIN

ROOSEVELT PLAN READY

PRESS ASSOCIATION FOREIGN SPECIAL.

WASHINGTON, Thursday.

OBSERVERS here are confident that the new Congress, which opens to-morrow, will approve President Roosevelt's plan for war supplies to Britain. Any further direct help to Britain is expected to await the passage of this legislation.

Destroyers could then be transferred under the legislation, thus avoiding possible complaints—such as were made in some quarters at the time of the destroyers-for-bases deal—about the President's methods.

Mr. Roosevelt is to make concrete proposals when he addresses the two Houses of Congress on Monday. Opposition to the plan will naturally be led by Senator Wheeler, of Montana, Senator Tydings, of Maryland, and their followers.

The general feeling on Capitol Hill has undergone great changes in recent months. Every action was formerly preceded by the question whether it would take the United States nearer to war. Now there is a tendency to take steps which the situation seems to demand, hoping that they will not lead the country into war, but more willing to run that risk.

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WASHINGTON, Thursday.

President Roosevelt summoned Congressional leaders to the White House to-day—the last day of the old Congress—for a general discussion on legislation to be submitted to the new session which opens to-morrow.

The formal opening takes place to-morrow, but the main interest is centred on Monday's meeting, as it is believed President Roosevelt will then discuss matters he touched on in his "fireside chat" last Sunday—especially in connection with the "lease and loan" plan for aiding Britain. One of the matters which the new Congress will have to consider is taxation, which includes plans for raising over 2,000,000,000 dollars—£500,000,000—to finance British assistance immediately.

PEACE SUGGESTION

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

WASHINGTON, Thursday.

Senator Vandenberg, in an exclusive interview with *Foreign Correspondence*, declared that he favoured, in certain circumstances, practically unlimited aid to Britain—even if it led to war. The President's followers have recently accused him of sharing the viewpoint of Colonel Lindbergh and the extreme group of American appeasers. To-day the Senator declared that millions required to be convinced that a negotiated peace between Britain and Germany was impossible. This consideration had prompted his proposal that the United States should ask both belligerents to state their war aims, and if it should be shown that Hitler's objectives could not be reconciled with "the American way of life," only then would it be clear that the war must be fought to the end and that Britain should be given aid "up to the limits of which we are capable." "Then," he added, "but not till then, would I agree with the President's policy, even though I know it is bound to lead us into war."

BRITAIN'S TERMS

Asked whether, if Hitler submitted terms acceptable to American opinion and agreeable to Britain, he would be ready to advocate an American guarantee of such terms, Mr. Vandenberg said: "I won't say I wouldn't. My life has been spent in advocating complete isolationism for the United States, but if the alternative is to be war right away, when we are unprepared, I might be willing to reflect."

The Senator said that he wanted to know Britain's terms in advance also, because he had been shocked, after America's entry into the last war, to discover the existence of secret treaties between the Allies. He declared that Mr. Ernest Bevin had said that Socialism would be introduced into Britain after the war, and asked: "Are we to fight for that, too?"

CHAIRMAN RESIGNS

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

NEW YORK, Thursday.

Mr. William Allen White is preparing to resign the chairmanship of the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies as soon as the committee selects his successor. Mr. White has been criticised recently for his lack of vigour in pressing for more abundant aid for Britain.

DANCE

SIR PATRICK DUN'S NURSING STAFF

More than 200 guests attended the annual dance of Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital Nursing Staff, which was held last night in the hospital.

Peter Keogh's band supplied a programme of the latest dance music, and dancing continued until a late hour.

Among those present were:—Dr. and Mrs. Gill, Dr. and Mrs. Micks, Dr. and Mrs. Heatley, Dr. and Mrs. Seager, Dr. and Mrs. Ellerker, Dr. and Mrs R. B. Woods, Dr. Wallace, Dr Whiteside, Dr. C. H. McMahon, Dr. Balch, Dr. and Mrs. McDonogh, Dr. Powell, Dr. Houston, Dr. Hanna, Dr. Gaffney, D. J. K. Feeney, Dr. Maher, Dr. Bradshaw, Dr. Cross, Dr. Donohoe, Dr. Crawford, the Matron, Miss M. Chambers; the assistant matron, Miss A. Young, and the sisters, nurses and resident students.

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LANDED ON AN ISLAND

SIXTEEN ESCORTS TO EVACUATED CHILDREN

Two Girl Guiders were among the victims of a German raider landed on the South Pacific island of Emirau.

They are Miss Margaret Osborne, of Walton-on-Thames, and Miss Eleanor Pearson, of London, who had escorted children sent to Australia by the Children's Overseas Reception Board.

Their names, together with those of fourteen other escorts, including six hospital nurses, appear in a list of survivors "assumed safe after being landed."

The escorts were homeward bound in the Ragitane when she was sunk.

The other names are given as:—

Miss Christianne Alston, physical training mistress;
Miss Florence Child, of Leigh-on-Sea, matron of her own nursing home;
Mrs. Annabella Clotheir, of London, wife of a surgeon;
Miss Eileen da Costa, of London;
Miss Mary Dunsmuir, of Leigh-on-Sea, hospital nurse;
Rev. Father Denis Kelly, Catholic port chaplain at Liverpool;
Miss Phyllis Matthews, of Hertfordshire, hospital nurse;
Miss Florence Mundie, of London, hospital nurse;
Miss Geraldine Edge, of London, head of a nursing home for children;
Miss Blance Sandbac, of London, hospital nurse;
Mrs. Sutcliffe Hey, of Leeds, dentist;
Rev. Father Ernest Ball, of Sheffield;
Miss Rosalie Golding (Australia), and
Miss Annie Willis (New Zealand), both hospital nurses.

RUMANIA AND THE AXIS

PREMIER'S MESSAGE TO HERR HITLER

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Thursday.

General Antonescu, Rumanian Premier, has sent New Year messages to Herr Hitler, Signor Mussolini, and other Axis dignitaries, according to the German News Agency.

In his message to Herr Hitler, General Antonescu says: "For the New Year I should like to convey a renewal of my sentiments and devotion for the happy fulfilment to the wishes which I expressed on the occasion of my visit to Berlin. I should also like to express my and the Rumanian people's sincere and cordial wishes for the personal happiness of Your Excellency and of the friendly and allied German people and for the prosperity of the great German Reich."

General Antonescu's message to Signor Mussolini read: "On the threshold of the New Year I should like to convey to Your Excellency my sincere and warm wishes for your personal happiness and for the prosperity of the noble Italian nation and for the deepening of the close relations which bind our two countries."

Similar telegrams were sent to Marshal Goering, Herr von Ribbentrop, and Herr Hess, to Count Ciano, to Prince Konoye, Japanese Prime Minister, to General Franco, and to the heads of the German Army and Air Missions now in Rumania.

JAPANESE ENVOY VISITS NORTH CHINA

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PEIPING.

Admiral Nomura, Japanese Ambassador to Washington, in an interview with Pressmen, said that the sole object of his present three-day visit to North China was to consult leading Japanese Commanders and Embassy officials. Questioned regarding Japanese discrimination and restrictions on foreign trade, Admiral Nomura said that when peace was restored some of these questions would settle themselves, and other questions would be subject to special negotiations with the countries concerned.

CEMENT PRICE HIGHER

It is announced by the British Ministry of Works and Buildings that the price of Portland and rapid hardening cement, which at present stands as fixed on May 2, 1940, is advanced in Great Britain on and after January 3 by 5s. per ton, and that the charge for paper bags shall be increased from 5s. to 6s. per ton.

CANADA'S RESOLUTE OPTIMISM

RISING MUNITIONS PRODUCTION

"TIMES" TELEGRAM.

OTTAWA, Thursday.

Canada has entered the new year in a mood of resolute optimism, tempered by sobering anxiety about what fortunes it will bring. There is no weakening in the determination of the Canadian people to see the war through to a victorious end, cost what it may. The efficiency of the fighting forces training in Canada is steadily improving. The Empire air-training scheme, which is now functioning admirably, will send a steady stream of trained airmen across the Atlantic, and the civilian population is giving generously of its money and time to the support of a variety of useful war activities, in which women are doing their full share. With every factory capable of making munitions and armaments working at full capacity, Canada has become a veritable arsenal of industrial activity, with the result that the relief rolls have shrunk to modest dimensions. There is actually a shortage of skilled labour in certain industries.

The transformation of the national economy to a war basis is now virtually accomplished, and the financial structure of the country is sustaining its new burdens satisfactorily.

In various directions there are economic stresses and strains, and farmers think that they are being unfairly treated, being particularly aggrieved at present at the fixing of a maximum price for butter; but the main body of the population is accepting cheerfully the sacrifices imposed by heavy taxation and a multitude of regulatory ordinances affecting many aspects of their daily life.—(Copyright, per Press Association.)

THREE-POINT DEMAND TO JAPANESE

FOLLOWS ATTACK ON U.S. MARINES

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

PEIPING, Thursday.

The local Marine authorities to-day presented a three-point demand to the Japanese officials following the attack on five American marines.

The points were:—The Chief of the Japanese Gendarmerie to apologise to the Marine Commandant for the unlawful arrest and unwarranted use of force in seizing the marines; the Japanese to promise that steps shall be taken to prevent a repetition of such affairs; and the persons responsible for the unlawful arrests to be punished.

Five marines were involved, and it was asserted by United States officials that four of them had been injured by Japanese gendarmes, who held them for seventeen hours after a fight in a cabaret.

The officials indicated that they considered the incident serious.

The fifth man, who was also arrested, was not injured.

RIBBENTROP'S FATHER DEAD

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Thursday.

Lieutenant A. D. von Ribbentrop, father of Herr von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, has died in Berlin at the age of 82.

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LAST YEAR'S CLOUNANNA FINALISTS

Mr. J. P. Frost's Royal Blend (runner up) and Mr. J. Shaw's Shule Aroon (winner), finalists in last year's Irish Cup at Clounanna.

Irish Coursing Cup Prospects

Records of Nominated Candidates Reviewed

(By MASTER McGRATH.)

NEXT week (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday) the thirty-fifth Irish Cup meeting will be held at Clounanna, the permanent headquarters of the Irish blue riband, which was established there in the season 1905-6. Thrice the County Limerick club, which managed the meeting until it was taken over by the Irish Coursing Club a few seasons ago, experimented with changes of venue; but complete success did not attend their efforts at the Creagh, Wexford, or Tralee, and since 1912-13 the Cup has been battled for on the flats adjacent to Kilgobbin.

What the Waterloo Cup is to British coursing the Irish Cup is to the sport in this country. The National meeting at Powers town Park in February is, in a way, a serious rival to it, with the Derby, Oaks and International Cup; but no meeting in this country can, as a test of the attributes of the greyhound, compare with this eleven hundred yards stretch of ground in what, for all practical purposes, is the open country.

Not so many seasons ago the success of the premier meetings depended to a great extent on weather conditions. After heavy rainfalls the big, wide drains overflowed, and the coursing ground held considerable pools of surplus water, while another trouble presented itself when the spring tides inundated the flats and left them an expansive swamp. All that has been gradually changed and the Clounanna of to-day is as perfect for coursing as The Withins, Lydiate, or Newbridge at their best.

Viscount Adare, who owns the grounds at Clounanna and who is a nominator for the Cup.

A GENUINE TEST

To achieve such results was no easy task; but close co-operation between Lord Adare and Mr. Thomas Ryan, the local representative of the Irish Coursing Club, produced the much-desired improvements, and while Clounanna now is free from the many handicaps which dogs had to fight against in the past—and they were very severe—it remains what it always was, a genuine test of greyhound merit—of pace, working ability and stamina—with few of those pitfalls that so often led to the better dog being fluked out of the course.

Nominators for next week's carnival who have to depend on kennels other than their own must be experiencing some trouble in getting dogs to fill their nominations, as to date the list comprises only half of the sixty-four; but the Irish Cup has never failed to fill, and this season will be no exception to the rule.

The draw will be held on next Tuesday in Geary's Hotel, Limerick, at noon, and until then it would be unwise to express an opinion regarding the likely winner, who may not be named until the eleventh hour, as it were.

MANY WITH CHANCES

In the available list are several whose chances cannot be underrated—Jovial Rook, Ocean Blend, Dark Invader, Dancing Caper, Shane Barnagh, Rebel Light, Iris Oir, Western Freak and Cherokee Border among them. I have an idea that this is going to be quite a different cup to many of recent seasons; but I prefer to let what is at the back of my mind remain there.

Of those mentioned, the one I prefer for Clounanna is Dark Invader, who gave such an impressive and convincing performance in the National Open Cup meeting at Newbridge. Granted that he was not gruelled like many of the others, the fact remains that in every trial he showed superior pace, and, what is a vitally important consideration on such a long stretch of country as Clounanna, he not only commands the hare but has a very good mouth.

But for his killing prowess Lord Protector never would have had his name among the winners of the cup, although he was the fastest dog that ever went up the ground. That is why I like Mr. Morris's representative. I do not think that pace alone will bring any of the sixty-four to the end of the stake on this occasion, and for that reason expect many a surprise.

FANCIED DOG

Last season's winner of the Derby at Clonmel and Connaught Cup winner, Rebel Light, will be much fancied. He will find Clounanna a totally different proposition from Powerstown Park or Loughrea, and will need to be putting it in all the time if he is to bring off the big double for Mr. P. J. Ruttledge.

One with high credentials is Ocean Blend, who at Ballincollig achieved a striking performance by winning the Cork Cup for the second season in succession. He is speedy, handles his hares stylishly, and romped through at Ballincollig, although getting plenty of work in each course. Jovial Rook ran up to Rebel Light for the Derby last February, and Sly Dasher was one of the semi-finalists in the same stake.

Western Freak has experience of Clounanna, and after failing in the Cup last season went on to win the Plate, while Iris Oir divided the Purse with Slashing Shine. The Mount Coote Cup meeting was always regarded as a fine trial ground for Irish Cup candidates, and in that respect it is interesting to note that Dancing Caper ran up for the trophy this season, and in addition was the winner of two other stakes.

Mr. Joseph Shaw, of Belfast, runs Shane Barnagh, who was so unfortunate at Loughrea, when the judge, by an accident, put him out after he had beaten his kennel companion, Salisbury. "Shane" will take some beating, and it would be a record were he to follow up last season's success of Mr. Shaw's Shule Aroon.

As remarked, there is nothing much to work on with only half the named ones to hand; but a little bird tells me that there is one from the Clare county which if nominated would set a merry pace to the fastest of them.

SOME PROBABLES

Mr. C. Coogan—Carmel (Castlemorris Pirate—Vix's Pet).
Mr. P. J. Ruttledge—Rebel Light (Mr. Moon—Rebel Music Maid).
Mr. T. A. Morris—Dark Invader (Rowley Regis—Radiant Ruby) or b. p. Midnight Folly (Rotten Row—Exotic Bloom).
Viscount Adare—William the Conqueror (Rex Star—Kyle Betty).
Mr. D. Dunne—Cabin Blaze (Beaded Inler—Breezy Win).
Mr. J. C. Galloway—Forest Leader (Rotten Row—My Pretty One) or Janetta Hunloke (Dee Rock—Truite Bleue).
Mr. J. V. Rank—Jig and Reel (Joker's Resort—Rippling River).
Mr. T. Ahern—S.M. Oddity.
Mr. Hugh McAlevey—Waterford Glass (Inler—Ware Wire).
Mr. P. J. McNamara—Liverpool Sandills (White Sandills—Munster Iris).
Judge—Mr. Davin. Slipper—R. Sugrue.
Mr. J. Barry—Rathkeale Lad (Hellfire Tony—Omen's Guard).
Mr. P. J. Hogan—Dancing Caper (Kilrush Calling—Mental Beauty).
Mr. P. Moloney—Sweet Smerla Cutlet (Going Cutlet—Sweet Smerla Foam).
Mr. T. P. McCarthy—Brilliant Braid.
Mr. C. J. Kerin—Robert's Future (Brilliant Bob—Duffy's Tea).
Mr. John Bruton—Michael Waters (White Sandills—Country Lass).

Mr. Thomas Ryan, the local representative of the I.C.C., and Mr. Thomas Morris, Secretary of the I.C.C.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES

Palmerston Schoolboys v. Wanderers Schoolboys, Clonskeagh, 3.15.
Lansdowne Schoolboys v. Bective Schoolboys, Lansdowne road, 3.0.

TEAMS.

Wanderers Schoolboys—Wiles; Roantree, Lee, Nesbitt, Richman; Allen (R. E.), Morris; Leveroni, Huggard, Boland, Stevens, Curtis, Sweetman, Hamilton, Harrison.
Bective Rangers Schoolboys (from)—G. Monks, B. Flanagan, D. Flanagan, J. Murphy, D. Flanagan, C. Aylward, M. Nolan, J. Coleman, P. C. Taylor, E. Dalton, B. F. Keane, J. Mulcahy, P. Kavanagh, L. Dempsey, M. Granville, D. Magennis, S. Shaw.

SCHOOLS' RESULT.

Lansdowne Schoolboys 9 points, Wanderers Schoolboys 3 points.

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES

Wanderers v. Old Belvedere, Lansdowne road.
Blackrock v. Clontarf, Williamstown.
U.C.D. v. Palmerston, Belfield.
Bective Rangers v. Lansdowne, Donnybrook.
Monkstown v. Old Wesley, Sidney Parade.
Dublin University v. St. Mary's, College Park.

Rugby Football

Progress in the Midlands

By Our Rugby Football Correspondent.

WEDNESDAY'S match at Tullamore, in which a fairly strong Dublin XV. only managed to defeat a provincial side by a single point, may serve to focus more attention on the game in the Midlands, where it is making considerable progress. The team's performance in this game was the more surprising since bad weather had caused no fewer than seven changes to be made on the side originally chosen, so the substitutes had every reason to congratulate themselves. What was better still, the Provincials played good football in staging their recovery in the last twenty minutes, some of their passing movements being carried out confidently.

Since only two of the backs originally selected were able to turn out, we did not see the best that the Provincials have at their disposal, but in F. Fenlon they have an outhalf who would be an asset to almost any Dublin senior club, and when he had got over his nervousness, G. Speirs, the young Athy centre, also showed ability above the average. The forwards were a useful, hard-working lot, who put plenty of spirit into their work in the second half.

It would, I think, be a nice compliment to give the Provincial XV. a game against a Dublin side at Lansdowne road next season. The idea of these fixtures was to give some of the country districts an opportunity, which they never previously got, of seeing first-class Dublin players in action. This policy should still be maintained, but the Provincials would, I feel sure, enjoy the opportunity of a game at headquarters, and that, too, would serve to stimulate the game.

Another point which the Leinster Branch might take up is the arranging of more fixtures between the Dublin senior clubs and the various provincial towns' clubs. In the first half of the season only two clubs, St. Mary's College and Monkstown, have done anything at all in that line. St. Marys have travelled to Dundalk and Athy, and Monkstown also sent a team to the latter town, while Athy and Dundalk have paid visits to Dublin for return matches against St. Mary's. No similar games have been arranged for the second half of the season.

Athy have done extremely well in these engagements. St. Mary's were behind in the first game until the closing minutes, when they just got their noses in front, while Monkstown, who travelled much below their normal strength, were well beaten there. In all their fixtures so far Athy have scored over two hundred points and have conceded fewer than seventy. In the opinion of someone who has seen them in action on several occasions, they are not far below the normal senior standard in Dublin.

WOULD BE STIMULATING

The Leinster Branch might, with advantage, persuade all the senior clubs to travel a couple of times in the course of the winter to the provincial towns. The journeys involved are not so very long. They could be accomplished comfortably in a day, and the experience of seeing such teams as Blackrock, Trinity, University College, Clontarf, Bective, Wanderers, Lansdowne and Old Belvedere would be really stimulating in the various towns they would visit.

The towns would, of course, have to do their share, too, in arousing interest in the district if this programme could be arranged. The weather was bitterly cold on Wednesday, but there had not been any snow in the Midlands, so I would have expected to see a larger attendance at Tullamore. If the leading Leinster clubs are to be interested, they should be paid the compliment of bigger attendances than this, so that local secretaries should be prepared to get down to work at the start of each season.

Rugby has a hard task to keep going in a number of these towns, and now is the time for the Leinster Branch to see that their path is made easier. When international fixtures come to be resumed, these districts may again be pushed somewhat into the background, so there is no time like the present for getting something done.

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Sporting Gossip

English Horses in Big American Handicap

Heliopolis, the Hyperion colt, formerly the property of Lord Derby, who finished third in the Derby of 1939, has been given 8-13 in the £20,000 Santa Anita Handicap, to be run at Los Angeles on March 1. Another high-class performer in England, Hunter's Moon IV., has been given 8-10, and top weight, 9st. 4lb., has been allotted to the American horse, Challedon.

English Classic Entries

That the number of horses in training in England has seriously declined is shown by the entries for the classic races of 1942. The Derby has received 139 entries, as compared with 345 for the 1940 race, which was abandoned. Nominations for the Oaks total 134, for the 2,000 Guineas 120, for the 1,000 Guineas 123, and for the St. Leger 143.

N.H. Fixtures

A new fixture under National Hunt Rules has been granted to Plumpton for January 25. There will be two meetings on that day, the other at Wetherby. It was recently stated that Fontwell Park had applied for a meeting on January 25. The fixture originally granted to Taunton for March 12 has been transferred to March 13.

R. Gore Not Retiring

Mr. R. Gore, the famous trainer of jumpers, who won the Grand National two years in succession with Jerry M. and Covertcoat, is not retiring from training, as has been reported. He will continue to train his own horses and at present he has two in strong work. Mr. Gore is the oldest trainer in England. He was born in 1859 in County Wexford.

Jockeys' Retainers

E. Smith has been retained to ride as first jockey for J. Jarvis's stable next season. W. Nevett will continue to ride for M. Peacock's establishment at Middleham.

R. A. Jones Injured

R. A. Jones, the flat-race jockey, was knocked down by a motor car at Newmarket on Wednesday night when returning from duty as a special constable. He was badly shaken and bruised.

WINDSOR LAD'S RECOVERY

Our English racing correspondent, "Galtee More," in a reference in a recent article to the recovery of Windsor Lad from a head malady inadvertently stated that it was owing to the skill of Professor McQueen that the cure had been effected. It was, in fact, Professor O'Connor, of the Royal Veterinary College, Dublin, who was called in to attend Windsor Lad, and it was owing entirely to the skill of Professor O'Connor that the horse recovered.

GOLF CLUB NOTICES

MALAHIDE.—Ladies' Section.—Tuesday—January medal, 9 holes, strokes; arrange foursomes, December medal—Mrs. O'Neill, 36; Miss Stack qualified.
CASTLE.—Ladies' Branch.—Silver spoons—Won by Mrs. Chesson and Mrs. Reynolds. Club foursome—Mrs. Beattie and Mrs. Martin (14), 36; Miss Hutchinson and Miss P. Seaman, 37½. Monday next—Club foursome; arrange partners; draws 10.30 and 2.30.
RATHFARNHAM.—Ladies' Branch.—December box—Best net, Mrs. Gordon, 35; best gross, Miss McCormick, 47. Tuesday next—Foursomes, bogey; draw 10.30.
WOODBROOK.—Ladies' Branch.—Tuesday next—January medal, 18 holes, strokes; arrange partners. Committee meeting 7.30 p.m.
DUN LAOGHAIRE.—Ladies' Branch.—Qualified for box finals—Class I.—Mrs. Halligan, Miss Hutchinson, Miss Magwood, Mrs. O'Dwyer, Mrs. Smith, Miss P. Moore, Miss D. Barrett, Mrs. Lockhart, Mrs. Cochrane, Mrs. Warren, Miss E. Byrne, Mrs. Connolly. Class II.—Mrs. O'Farrell, Mrs. Dempsey, Mrs. O'Connor, Mrs. Broughton, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Davitt, Mrs. Riddick, Miss B. O'Kelly, Miss M. Halligan, Miss K. Brophy, Mrs. Holland. Finals to be played by January 20th.
LUCAN.—Final hamper—Dr. G. P. Sheehan (5), 35; M. C. O'Donoghue (7), 36; F. J. Flanagan (8), 36.
ROYAL DUBLIN.—Medals, bogey.

SOUTH CLARE COURSING

COOGLARE STAKE (5 puppies)—Creeping Sam beat Runside; Doonbeg Rover a bye, Mr. Moto absent; Border Free a bye.
Second Round—Creeping Sam beat Border Free; Doonbeg Rover a bye.
Decider—Mr. M. Lynch's Creeping Sam (Sporting Sam—Missy Moon) beat Mr. P. McGrath's Doonbeg Rover (Dainty Sweeper—Light Heath).
BRISLA STAKE (2 all ages)—Doubtful Dee beat I'm Ninety; Porto Power beat Melaleuca; Coolmeen Calling beat Baby Ways; Ballycrinane Lass a bye, Honest and True absent; O'Dea's Calling a bye.
Second Round—Porto Power beat Doubtful Dee; Coolmeen Calling beat O'Dea's Calling; Ballycrinane Lass a bye.
Third Round—Porto Power beat Ballycrinane Lass; Coolmeen Calling a bye.
Decider—Mr. M. O'Dea's Porto Power (Delight—Seaside Warrior) beat Mr. J. Casey's Coolmeen Calling (Kilrush Calling—Clare Lassie).
KILMACDUNE STAKE (10 2-course)—Divided between Mr. T. Considine's Drip Test (Creamery Border—Gentle Harper), Mr. D. Nolan's Mountain Oyster (Amiability—Bawnmore Lady), and Mr. M. Connolly's Crazy Crazy (Dasher Lad—Crazy Violet).
MEMBERS' STAKE (5 1-course)—Divided between Mr. P. Mongovan's Gabha Rund Cross (Dick the Doctor—Antrim Draw) and Mr. M. Curry's Magic Cafe (Man o' Man—Queen's Cafe).
WORKERS' STAKE (10 all ages)—Divided between Mr. T. Breen's Bella's Friend, Mr. G. Brew's Beautiful Dart, and Mr. J. Keane's Tulla-

Hunting

WEST WATERFORD HOUNDS

On Monday, 23rd December, these hounds had the longest hunt they have had for many years. After meeting at Crough, Upper Lackendara was drawn, and a fox was viewed almost immediately. The Master got hounds on at once, and with a good scent they ran fast. Crossing the Clonmel-Dungarvan road, with Beary's Cross on their left, they ran through Whelan's bogs to Tinalira. Hunting straight down Tinalira Glen, they left the covert at the north-western side, and made for Woodhouse, where they cross the Finisk River and the Cappoquin-Clonmel road. As they approached Woodhouse covert the hunted fox was viewed skirting it, and hounds changed without a check to a strong dog fox, which ran fast through the covert and on to Dyrick.

At this point their fox ran through some cattle, and hounds were at fault for a short time, but a forward cast put them on terms with their fox again, and with an improved scent hounds ran over Broemountain and into Glenheslane. Leaving Melleray on their right, they crossed the Cappoquin-Clogheen road, and hunted on to Monalour, over the Owenshad River, and from there to Ballysaggart, where they killed their fox. This was a fine hunt, nearly twenty miles as hounds ran, with a point of fourteen and a half miles. The first half was over the best of the West Waterford country, but after Broemountain our fox took an unrideable line of mountain and glen, which denied us the thrill of being in at the kill.

December sport has been consistently good, with six outstanding hunts, hounds being rewarded each time with a kill in the open.

FINGAL HARRIERS

When hounds met at Rathbeale it looked doubtful if hunting would be possible owing to fog, but matters improved as the day advanced, and quite a good day's hunting was enjoyed by a large field. A hare found in Lady Mary Corbally's demesne gave a ring through New Dairy and The Leas to the Naul road, and, circling back through Brazil, went on by Mooretown and over a good deal of our point-to-point course, where she got in to some tillage land and hounds were stopped.

Our next draw was Rickenhor, where we found without delay, hounds running through Broadmeadow and, crossing Mr. Watson's farm, went on by the Holystuds to the Swords road, where we had to leave her. Sancerstown was next drawn, our quarry making a big circle before running through Roganstown and the Dollards and on to Baskin Cross, where scent fizzled out.

The St. Margaret's meet brought out another good-sized field. Finding in Huntstown, hounds ran through Dunbrae and Portmellick into Coultry, and crossed the Naul road into Collinstown Aerodrome, where they had to be stopped. Without much delay we found again in Sillogue, puss taking us through the lands of Ballymun House and over the Naul road into Ballystruan, thence by Furry Park almost to Santry Court, where she turned to the right, and crossing Mr. Byrne's farm, hounds ran into their quarry close to the house.

The day finished with a hunt from the Merryfalls through Harristown and Portmellick and on by Sandy Hill almost to the village of St. Margaret's. Bearing to the left here the hunt continued by Shangan Hill to Harristown House, where we lost her in some ploughed land.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS

TO-DAY.

County Galway Hunt ("The Blazers")—Ballydugan, 12 noon. Island Hounds—Oulart, 12 noon. North Kilkenny Hunt—Clomanto, Coollattin Hounds—Ballyraheen, 11.30 a.m. Meath Hounds—Kilmoon Cross-roads, 11.30 a.m. County Limerick Hounds—Rathfredagh, 12 noon. Scarteen Hunt—Limerick Junction, 12 noon. Mr. O'Hara's Harriers—Carrowreilly, 11.30 a.m. Fingal Harriers—West Curragh, 1 p.m. Queen's County Hounds—Timahoe, 12 noon. North Kildare Harriers—Moor of Meath, 11.30 a.m. County Longford Harriers—Moydow, 1 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

United Hunt Club—Knockraha, 11.30 a.m.; Ballymacad Hounds—Crossakeel, 12 noon; Tipperary Hounds—Laffan's Bridge, 11.30 a.m.; Kilkenny Hounds—Rosbercon, 11.30 a.m.; Co. Down Staghounds—Drumcaw, 12.45 p.m.; South Co. Dublin Harriers—Blackchurch, 2 p.m.; Ward Union Hounds—Kilruc, 1.30 p.m.; Waterford Hounds—Mount Congreve, 11.30 a.m.; Bray Harriers—Bellevue, 2 p.m. Thurles and Kilshane Hounds—Ballygriffen Bridge, 12 noon; Louth Hounds—Barmeath, 11 a.m.; Duhallow Hounds—Tarrant's Cross, 11.30 a.m.; Carlow Hounds—Fighting Cocks, 11.30 a.m.; North Armagh Harriers—Bocombra Hill, 1 p.m.; Shillelagh Harriers—Gortfad, 1 p.m.; Kildare Hounds—Sherlockstown Cross-roads, 11.30 a.m.; West Waterford Hunt—Gecah, 12 noon.

HUNT CARDS

COUNTY GALWAY HUNT ("The Blazers").—January—Tuesday, 7th, Turloughmore; Thursday, 9th, Cummer; Monday, 13th, Athenry; Thursday, 16th, Ormsmore; Monday, 20th, Moorpark; Friday, 24th, Loughrea; Monday, 27th, Carnaun School; Thursday, 30th, Tuam. At 12 o'clock. (Old card cancelled.)

TARA HARRIERS.—January—Tuesday, 7th, Enfield (Newcastle Gate); Thursday, 9th, Bective; Monday, 13th, Deringdaly; Thursday, 16th, Hill of Tara; Monday, 20th, Longwood; Thursday, 23rd, Kilcairne; Monday, 27th, Rathmolyon; Thursday, 30th, Robinstown. At 12 noon.

BALLYMACAD HOUNDS.—January—Tuesday, 7th, Oldcastle; Friday, 10th, Archerstown; Monday, 13th, Crossdrum; Thursday, 16th, Clonmellon; Tuesday, 21st, Patrickstown Cross; Friday, 24th, Loc Ban. At 12 o'clock (S.T.).

POWDERHALL SPRINT

George Taylor, a twenty years old grocer's assistant in Douglas, Lanarkshire, won the Powderhall 100 Yards Professional Sprint Handicap at Edinburgh yesterday. In the final heat he won by inches from G. Anthony, a local runner, who was a hot favourite at 11 to 10 on. Taylor, who competed for the first time at Powderhall, was junior sprint champion of Lanarkshire little more than a year ago, and was virtually self-trained. Anthony, whose real name is Henderson, is a brother of Mr. Eugene Henderson, the boxing referee. Taylor was second favorite at 3 to 1 in the final.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY HOCKEY CLUB

The team to meet Y.M.C.A. at Claremont road to-morrow is—D. McDonald; W. P. Rennison, W. H. Rutherford; J. R. C. McDonald, J. M. B. Crowley, D. T. Young; J. E. Adamson, M. V. Crawford, D. McGilligan, J. V. Lee, T. N. Strong.

The second XI. match (v. Avoca) is cancelled owing to withdrawal of Avoca.

Association Football

FINAL VENUE DIFFICULTY

THERE are no two views on the subject of Dalymount Park's surpassing suitability as the venue for representative Association football games and cup finals in Dublin. It is the most conveniently situated ground, and, thanks to the enterprise of the Bohemian F.C., it is far and away the best equipped.

The club has gone to a great deal of expense in making the enclosure something more elaborate than would be required for ordinary club matches. In doing so they have performed a service to football in Dublin, and they are entitled to some return for that service. They can obtain that return only from the rent they charge for the use of the ground on "big occasions."

It should be borne in mind that those rents are only a repayment of portion of the money that they themselves have spent, and it would be a misuse of the word to describe them as profits. Consequently, the attitude adopted by Shamrock Rovers at the F.A.I. Council meeting on Wednesday night, when the fixing of a venue for the Cup final was under discussion, was a surprise. They stated that if they were in the final against Bohemians they would insist upon receiving half the ground rent.

Rovers would have a right to demand that a neutral ground should be used if they were in the final with Bohemians, but to ask for half the rent of Dalymount Park is to ask for a return upon enterprise in which they played no part. They were alone in that attitude. The Drumcondra representative seemed to be voicing the views of the other clubs when he said: "If we are lucky enough to be in the final we will, without hesitation, ask that it be played at Dalymount, no matter who our opponents may be."

Bohemians will not agree to any club having half of the rent that belongs legitimately to them. If Shamrock Rovers are in the final against Bohemians and refuse to change their attitude of Wednesday night, the game will have to be played elsewhere, probably at Iveagh grounds or Shelbourne Park, and it can be taken as definite that neither St. James's Gate nor Shelbourne will surrender any of the rent due to them. No one would ask it of them—not even Shamrock Rovers.

In the circumstances, Shamrock Rovers can gain nothing from the situation that may be created. Bohemians may lose their rent, but that will not do Rovers any good, and certainly the "soccer" public will not be pleased at having to make the journey to Crumlin instead of to Cabra.

However, Shamrock Rovers may not be in the final; or, maybe, Bohemians may not be in the final, so that Dalymount Park may be the venue after all.

JUNIOR CUP PROTEST UPHELD

The Junior Emergency Committee of the F.A.I. last night fixed the Inter-County Cup final for Dalymount Park, if possible, on a date to be arranged later.

In connection with a Junior representative match on Easter Monday, the Secretary was directed to ascertain if the Scottish Junior League could send a team to Dublin on that date.

The protest of Aughrim Street C.Y.M.S. in the third round of the Junior Cup against St. Paul's was upheld, and the match awarded to C.Y.M.S.

January 12 (3.30) at Dalymount Park was decided on as the date for the Leinster Area semi-final of the Intermediate Cup between Distillery and Longford Town. Pending communication with the Munster F.A., the date and venue for the Munster Area semi-final was referred to the Emergency Committee.

WEEK-END LEAGUE GAMES

League of Ireland "soccer" fixtures for Sunday next are as follows:—

St. James's Gate v. Bray Unknowns.
Drumcondra v. Cork United.
Dundalk v. Bohemians.
Waterford v. Brideville.
Limerick v. Shamrock Rovers.

On Saturday a match between two selected elevens will be played at Dalymount Park in aid of the Athlone Fire Relief Fund.

Boxing

NORTH CITY CLUB TOURNAMENT

There are three changes announced on the North City Club's programme for to-night. J. Gaffney (Sandymount), Corpora. V. Black (Baldonnel), and Sergeant C. Evenden (Collins) being unable to turn out. P. Glernon (Tramway) replaces Gaffney, and as W. Gifford outpointed him when they met in the Army v. The Rest engagement, their return battle will not detract in any way from the interest of the programme, for it should provide an excellent contest.

The programme is:—

Fly—G. Morohan (North City) v. P. Purfield (Tramway).
Bantam—G. McDonnell (North City) v. T. Christie (Arbour Hill); E. Cannon (North City) v. W. Lenihan (Arbour Hill).
Feather—R. Walsh (North City) v. P. Byrne (Scouts); W. Gifford (North City) v. P. Glennon (Tramway); B. Colman (Myra) v. W. Ryan (Avona).
Light—P. Kavanagh (Scouts) v. Another.
Welter—P. Finnegan (Arbour Hill) v. H. Dignam (Luttrellstown).
Middle—Another v. J. Murphy (Arbour Hill).
Cruiser—P. O'Reilly (North City) v. Corporal J. Kerry (Phoenix).

THE IRISH CUP MEETING
(UNDER I.C.C. RULES).
THE IRISH CUP PURSE and PLATE
Will be run off at CLOUNANNA on
WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY
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REDUCED FARES. 'BUS SERVICES.
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IRISH NEWS IN BRIEF

Unemployment.—The number of persons registered at the employment exchanges on 28th December was 96,386, an increase of 597 as compared with the previous week.

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£900 Insurance Premium.—The Belfast Corporation Finance Committee yesterday decided by a majority vote not to insure the contents of the Belfast City Hall against damage by enemy action after being informed that the annual premium would be £900.

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Soldier's Body Recovered.—After dragging the River Strule since last Monday the body of Private Dougan, an Englishman, was recovered at Coneywarren yesterday. Cougan accidentally fell into the river while at military exercises.

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G.N.R. Guard Retires.—Over half a century of railway service without an accident is the record of Mr. George Ryan, Ratcliffe street, Belfast, the veteran guard on the Belfast-Dublin express, who has just retired from the Great Northern Railway Company.

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Found Drowned.—A verdict of death from drowning while his mind was unhinged owing to illness was returned at an inquest at Galway yesterday on Denis Murphy, farmer and shopkeeper, of Drumgriffin, Annaghdown, who was found drowned in three feet of water near his home on Saturday last.

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Manslaughter Charge.—At Ballincollig District Court yesterday, Anthony Conway, of Tallow, Co. Waterford, was remanded on bail on a charge of the manslaughter of Josie Cotter, at Watergrasshill, Co. Cork, arising out of a recent accident in which a group of school-children were run into by a motor car.

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Seed and Fertiliser Scheme.—Cork County Council yesterday agreed to operate a scheme similar to last year's for the supply of seeds and fertilisers to persons unable to procure them from their own resources. The Secretary said that last year the Council had expended £1,400 in this direction, and he believed there would be little, if any, loss.

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Young Girl Killed.—A verdict of accidental death was returned at an inquest yesterday concerning the death of Norah Wall, aged twelve, Kilbree House, Cappoquin, who fell down the shaft of a well on to a concrete platform, fourteen feet below, and sustained a fractured skull. She had gone for a bucket of water, and fell from the slippery flagway.

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Blind Woman Charged.—A woman who is drawing the blind pension pleaded guilty at Sixmilecross yesterday to stealing £2 5s. 6d. She was Mrs. Margaret McMenamin, Mullinmore, Carrickmore, and it was stated that she went into a neighbour's house and took the money. Her husband, John McMenamin, pleaded guilty to receiving. Both were bound to the peace and ordered to refund the money.

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£100 and Revolver.—In the Belfast Custody Court yesterday, James Steele, of North Queen street, charged with having a revolver and ammunition was returned for trial in custody to the City Commission. The prisoner said that he did not recognise the Court. Head-Constable S. Irvine said that in defendant's coat-pocket he found £100, made up of £5 Eire notes and a number of documents referring to an illegal organisation.

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Belfast Police Courts.—A vigorous protest against the "scandalous conditions" at the Belfast Police Courts was made at the Belfast Corporation yesterday. Councillor Doyle said that he had to go there, and found about 800 people in the courts and about 400 cases for two resident magistrates to hear. It was as difficult to get out of the courts as away from an international football match. Other members made similar complaints.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY

Friday, January 3rd, 1941.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

At Examiners' Chambers, at 93 Merrion square. Before Mr. Sullivan, at 11 o'clock—Collis Estate, S. 11733, vouch At 3.30 o'clock—Brown, S. 6348, discharge rulings. Before Mr. Franks, at 11 o'clock—Barrett and ors., discharge rulings and settle schedule. At 12 o'clock—Sarah Falkiner, discharge rulings and settle schedule. Before Mr. Grove-White, at 11 o'clock—Lewis, S. 3631, settle schedule. At 3 o'clock—Whitcroft, S. 1971, vouch item. Before Mr. Jackson, at 11 o'clock—P. J. Mulligan, S. 8351, vouch.

At 89 Merrion square.

Before Mr. O'Byrne, at 3.30 o'clock—Jas. F. O'Hanlon, S. 8658, discharge rulings and settle schedule.

HOUSES AND LANDS.

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Further particulars from

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ARKLOW.

WAR PROBLEMS IN THE SCHOOLS

VIEWS OF ENGLISH HEADMASTERS

PLEA FOR DEFINITE GUIDANCE

COMPLAINT that the British Board of Education had not given authoritative guidance to school staffs in regard to fire-watching and other matters, some of them connected with home defence, was made yesterday at the Nottingham Conference of the Incorporated Association of Headmasters.

A resolution was passed asking that the Board should co-ordinate the practice of local authorities in war-time by making announcements of the Government's wishes in a form which did not allow of widely-differing interpretations.

Mr. H. A. T. Simmonds (Devonport) said that many evacuation problems would have been eased if the Board of Education had stated authoritatively how evacuation was to be carried out.

The Board had suggested that the fire-watching of schools at night should be done by the staffs or by people who lived in the neighbourhood of the schools.

"That means that it can be done by anybody," said Mr. Simmonds. "It will be left to the local authority to say who shall do it. That is not satisfactory. If our staffs know they are expected to do it, they will do it with a good heart."

SHELTERS CRITICISED

Mr. A. S. Mason, of Hampton Grammar School, speaking on a resolution which called attention to the evil effects on youth resulting from inadequate school air-raid shelters, said: "I can imagine people who read the headlines, 'Teachers Want Better Shelters,' saying: 'These blue pencil teachers want blue pencil armchairs in their blue pencil dug-out.'"

That was not the position at all. Most air-raid shelters were designed and built in the expectation that air-raids would be short and sharp. The fact was that children had to remain in shelters anything from four minutes to four hours.

"Children," he said, "cannot keep fit in shelters which in winter are dark, cold and damp, and in summer insufferably smelly."

Complete idleness in the shelters had a demoralising effect, and they should be so designed that instructions could be given.

CASES OF INFECTION

When the president, Mr. F. R. Hurlstone-Jones, asked how many headmasters of evacuated schools were satisfied with sick bay arrangements, not a single master put up his hand.

Mr. J. W. Stork (Portsmouth) said that the present regulation of five beds per thousand was useless. Reference had been made to scarlet fever cases who had walked about and infected a village. That was going on all over the country. He would ask for a personal interview with the Ministry concerned.

Mr. R. B. Graham (Bradford) said that in the area to which he had been evacuated they were compelled to close down an excellent private sick bay through Ministerial refusal to collaborate with them in any way.

MR. RAMSBOTHAM ON REFORM PLANS

HIGHER SCHOOL-LEAVING AGE

Mr. Ramsbotham, President of the British Board of Education, stated at Oxford yesterday that as soon as possible after the war the 1936 Act to raise the school-leaving age to 15 would be enforced.

It was his ultimate goal to adopt a minimum leaving age of 16, but before this could be possible, adequate forms of education to suit varying tastes and capacities of the children must be devised.

Mr. Ramsbotham was addressing the annual meeting of the Incorporated Association of Assistant Masters in Secondary Schools. His announcement about the school-leaving age was made when he was outlining plans for future educational reforms. Mistakes made after the last war, he said, would not be repeated. There would be changes in social and economic conditions, which would have a profound effect upon young people, particularly between the ages of 14 and 18. Now was the time to lay plans for great and far-reaching reforms in post-primary education, covering the years 11-18. He and his advisers were giving deep and careful thought to this problem.

He did not support the demand for secondary education for all, because forms of secondary education of sufficient variety and diversity did not exist. He believed that they would have to provide and develop types of post-primary education on a less academic basis for a very large number of the children.

The time had now come to consider the reform of the school certificate and its divorce from matriculation, and a Committee of the Secondary Schools' Examination Council had been set up to go thoroughly into this problem. He believed that the survey of the present position of education now in progress would show that the general structure of their educational system was bearing the stress and strain of war conditions remarkably well.

MAGIC PARTY AT THE MANSION HOUSE

Following a series of dances and sketches by children from the Civics Institute's Playground, members of the Society of Irish magicians gave a delightful entertainment in aid of the Civics Institute in the Round Room, Mansion House, Dublin, last night. Special turns were given by Mr. William Condell and Mr. J. Rogers, while a clever adaptation of "Alice in Wonderland" was given under the title of "Alice in Magicland." Those taking part were: Mr. J. A. Palmer (the Wizard), Miss Zoe Caldwell and Miss Betty Poulton (Alice), Mr. W. J. Stapleton (King of Hearts), Mrs. Grace Chaney (Queen of Hearts), Mr. D. J. O'Brien (Jack of Hearts), Mr. J. Poulton (the Mad Hatter), Michael O'Dowd (the White Rabbit). Assistants—Messrs. J. Rogers and W. Condell. Court Magicians—Messrs. H. Chaney, J. O'Reilly, and E. F. Thorpe.

The Rev. J. Canavan, S.J., President of the Civics Institute, thanked the Society of Irish Magicians for what it had done to help on their work.

VICTORIA JUBILEE MASONIC ANNUITY FUND

The stated meeting of the Governors was held on Wednesday in Freemasons' Hall, Molesworth street, when the report of the scrutineers of the ballot for the election of eleven annuitants was read. It was unanimously resolved that the eleven annuitants who obtained the highest number of votes be elected. Accordingly, Nos. 18, 19, 28, 1, 4, 6, 25, 26, 8, 5, 22 on the ballot list were duly elected annuitants of the Fund.

No. 31 on the Ballot List next in order of votes polled was also elected an Annuitant of the Fund.

The Dublin City Manager has authorised the expenditure of £150 to complete the equipment of a recently-delivered rescue van for the Dublin Fire Brigade.

DIPHTHERIA IN BELFAST

80 DEATHS AND 990 CASES IN A YEAR

DUBLIN DOCTOR'S SERUM SUGGESTED

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Thursday.

It was stated at the Belfast Corporation to-day that there was a serious outbreak of diphtheria in the city, and a suggestion was made that steps be taken to get the new serum discovered by Dr. O'Meara, of Dublin.

Alderman Pierce said that the number of deaths in the city from diphtheria was frightful, and it was better that the public should know about it. They had facilities for immunisation of children in the city, but they had not as a Council stressed the necessity for this. It might be necessary, if the death rate continued at its present high standard, to introduce compulsory immunisation. Their Medical Officer (Dr. Kane) told them that out of all the patients admitted only one who had previously been immunised died, and that patient had other complications. Immunisation would save the ratepayers a lot of money. Each diphtheria patient cost the city £20, whereas they could have been immunised at 5s. each. Their medical advisers were very worried about this matter, and it was most serious.

MORE THAN NEW YORK

Councillor Wilton said the position was far more serious than the public realised. During the past twelve months in Belfast out of 990 cases there had been eighty deaths. In New York, with its population of 7,500,000, there were only 564 cases, with 22 deaths. The problem was most pressing, and action should be taken immediately. He suggested that an immediate meeting of the City Council should be called to consider measures to be adopted.

Alderman Pierce said that the public should know that ten per cent. of all cases admitted died. This was a higher rate than at any other time in Belfast.

Councillor J. Collins said that arrangements should be made immediately for the acquisition of the new serum discovered by Dr. O'Meara, of Dublin. All the claims made for this serum, he believed, had been substantiated. He understood this serum was being used in London.

Mr. Williamson (Chairman of the Public Health Committee) said that the present outbreak was more virulent than usually experienced in Belfast. Belfast had already an immunisation scheme, and people had been thoroughly warned.

It was decided to ask the Northern Minister of Home Affairs to follow the lead of the British Government in recouping the local authorities the cost of diphtheria immunisation material used during the war.

WEDDINGS

MR. E. F. DOHERTY AND MISS K. BRADLEY

Mr. Edward Francis Doherty, B.Sc., cousin and godson of the Most Rev. Dr. Mulhern, Bishop of Dromore, was married to Miss Kathleen Bradley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Bradley, Maghera, in St. Brigid's Church, Belfast, yesterday.

The Bishop officiated, and the other clergy who took part in the Service were the Rev. Kevin Mahon, C.C., Richhill; the Rev. J. Kelly, C.C., Bruckless, Donegal, and the Rev. F. Small, P.P., St. Brigid's.

The bride wore a tailored suit in Wedgwood blue. Her sister and bridesmaid, Miss Ethne Bradley, B.A., wore clover, trimmed with navy.

The honeymoon will be spent in Southern Ireland.

THE REV. J. R. M. CROOKS AND MISS E. C. VANCE

The wedding took place yesterday at St. Peter's Church, Aungier street, Dublin, of the Rev. John Robert Megaw Crooks, only son of the Rev. Canon and Mrs. Crooks, Knockbreda Rectory, Newtownbreda, Belfast, and Miss Elizabeth Catherine (Betty) Vance, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vance, Royal Bank House, Castleblayney, County Monaghan.

The Service was conducted by the Rev. Canon Crooks, M.A., assister by the Rev. R. H. Dowse, M.A., and the Rev. Peter Harvey.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a mediæval gown of palest gold slipper satin, with a long oval train, cut in one with the skirt. Her veil of Carrickmacross lace (lent by the bridegroom's mother) was held in place by a headdress of orange blossom. She wore a gold Celtic cross, the gift of the bridegroom's mother, and carried a white prayer book.

Miss Phyllis Thompson and Miss Marjorie Crooks were bridesmaids. They wore dresses of rich green French crêpe, with gauged bodices and full skirts, and their headdresses were of goffered green net, to match their gowns. They carried bouquets of holly and maidenhair fern.

The Rev. Robert Stuart acted as best man, and the groomsmen in the church were Mr. Irving Vance, Mr. Douglas Vance, Mr. J. Sides, Mr. J. C. Martin, Mr. D. McDonald and Dr. D. Gaitey.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the Royal Hibernian Hotel by the bride's mother, who wore an astrakhan coat over a floral silk two-piece ensemble, with a small flowered hat to match.

The bridegroom's mother wore a beech-coloured dress and a brown fur coat.

Later in the day the Rev. J. R. M. and Mrs. Crooks left for Donegal, the bride wearing a three-piece suit of green Donegal tweed, with brown accessories.

FUNERALS

MR. ROBERT JAMES SEEDS

Mr. Robert James Seeds, of 256 Merrion road, who died suddenly at the Royal City of Dublin Hospital on Tuesday last, was buried yesterday at Dean's Grange Cemetery.

The chief mourners were:—Messrs. W. Alan Seeds (son), William John Seeds (brother), William Etienne Seeds (nephew), Sydney McConnell, Walter McConnell and R. H. Russell.

The general attendance included:—Messrs. Garret Gill, W. A. Calder, J. Bell, D. J. McKiernan, John Downes, Miss Nancy Downes, Messrs. Robert Graham, E. K. Eason, W. Nesbitt, Sydney Nesbitt, Leonard Bennett, Thomas H. C. Burns, M. McKenna, J. J. Bouch, D. Reynolds, E. Lewis, J. D'Arcy, Charles D. Allen and J. Byrne.

The Rev. J. Noel Thompson conducted the Burial Service.

MR. HERBERT WRIGHT

The funeral of Mr. Herbert Wright, of Leslie avenue, Dalkey, took place to Dean's Grange Cemetery yesterday.

The chief mourners were:—Mrs. Gertrude Wright (widow), and Master Bertie Wright (son).

Among those also present were:—The Reverend Fr. Clarke, C.C., Dalkey; Brother Antonia, Presentation College; Messrs. Cecil Richardson, H. Lowe, M. D. O'Brien, D. Richardson, Joseph Glynn, Joseph Wright, F. J. Carney, Bowman, Reshoff, Gore, C. Lowry, J. McCall, M. McGrath, Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Byrne and Miss Statia Nolan.

THE HOUSING REPORT

The Dublin City Manager is to be asked, on a motion put down by Mr. William J. Colman for next Monday's meeting of the Dublin Corporation, to apply for the views of the Housing Commission on housing in Dublin, and to inquire into the delay in issuing the report of the Commission.

CHURCH SERVICES

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—10 a.m. Psalm, 16. Chant, 48. Jubilate, 94. Anthem, "Song of peace." Stanford. Evensong at 4 o'clock. Unaccompanied Service. Psalm, 18 (1-31). Chant, 86. Magnificat. Nunc Dimittis, King in F. "Away in a manger." Carol (Hymn 765).

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL. — Matins at 10.45 o'clock. Venite, 63. Psalm, 15 (64). Jubilate, 65. Litany. Even-song at 3 o'clock. Psalm, 18, 1-31 (67). Nunc Dimittis, R. Farrant (d. 1580) in G minor. Carol 10, "Love came down at Christmas."

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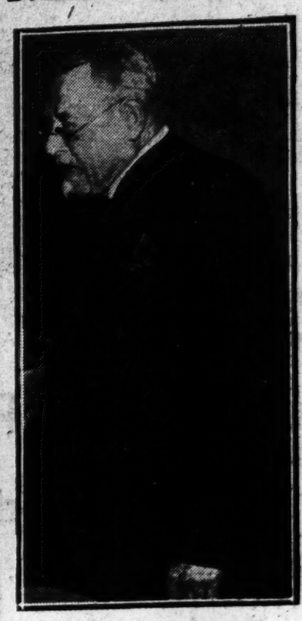
DUBLIN AND CARLOW BOMBINGS

A CLOSE-UP VIEW of the houses in Rathdown Park, Terenure, which were wrecked by bombs dropped from an unidentified 'plane yesterday morning.

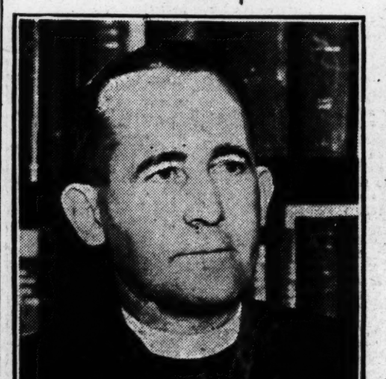


COLONEL THE O'CALLAGHAN (Chairman) speaking at the Great Southern Railways' shareholders' meeting in Jury's Hotel, Dublin, yesterday.

THE INTERIOR OF THE HALL of 27 Rathdown Park after the bombing.

THE NURSE AND THE ADMIRAL at the N.S.P.C.C. party for children, held in the Gresham Hotel yesterday.

ANOTHER VIEW of the demolished houses in Rathdown Park. Note the "bee-hive" shelter on extreme right, which remains intact.



THE REV. L. MILLER, M.A., Chaplain, St. Columba's College, Rathfarnham, who lectured at the R.D.S., Ballsbridge, yesterday.

COUNTY CARLOW BOMBING.—The remains of the house at Knockroe, Borris, in which three people were killed and two badly injured when bombs were dropped early yesterday morning.

Smokers' 'Fur'

How to detect it— How to prevent it

Try this now. Run your tongue round your mouth — do you notice it . . . a rough woolly feeling. Smokers' fur has got a hold, and is staining your teeth. But don't worry, you can stop this fur from ruining the look of your teeth.

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GASHOLDERS WILL NOT EXPLODE

BOMBS MIGHT START FIRE

PRESS ASSOCIATION TELEGRAM.

LONDON, Tuesday.

British gasholders (or gasometers) cannot be exploded by bombs. A German *communiqué* stating that in a recent raid on Britain a gasholder which was hit "exploded," was describing the impossible.

Many people believe that a direct hit would have that result, but it is a fallacy to imagine that the type of gasholder now in use in Britain can explode. It cannot. But if it could, the worse that can happen is for the escaping gas to ignite.

The blaze might be highly spectacular. However, the general public, even those living next door to the works, would have nothing to fear, save from the heat of the flames, and the chances are that the fire would prove short and sharp.

Gas will explode only when mixed with air in a confined space and ignited.

The water-sealed holder used in Britain is completely proof against the admission of air, and if the holder were pierced by an incendiary or high explosive bomb the escaping gas might ignite.

If the hole were extensive a great sheet of flame would leap skywards, but the flames would remain outside the holder, where the gas and air, not being in a confined space, could not explode.

As a big holder might stock only three or four per cent. of a single day's output of the large undertakings, the German Air Force would have a difficult task decisively to affect Britain's vital supplies.

On the other hand, a large number of gasholders in Germany are of a waterless type, pressure being maintained by a piston operating inside a fixed holder. Damage to the casing or the piston of a German holder might lead to the gas and air mixing inside, with the possibility of a repetition of the Neunkirchen disaster of 1933.

If a British holder were damaged, the supply would be speedily switched to another by workers, who would "cut out" the affected holder, even though an air raid might be at its height.

Incidentally, "gasholder" is the only correct title of these landmarks. Their function is purely to store gas, and "gasometer" is technically more than a century out of date.

FUTURE OF MEDICAL SERVICES

PROPOSED PLANNING COMMISSION

A Commission has been set up by the British Medical Association, "to study war-time developments and their effects on the country's medical services, both present and future." It is to be known as the Medical Planning Commission, and will consist of 63 doctors, representing all branches of the profession, under the presidency of Colonel Thomas Fraser, D.S.O., Consulting Physician to Aberdeen Royal Infirmary.

The body will be in the nature of an assembly, meeting from time to time to debate large questions of principle. The detailed work of the Commission will be undertaken in committees and sub-committees and their resolutions and recommendations will come for discussion before the Commission itself.

The Chairman of the Council will be Mr. H. S. Souttar, Surgeon to London Hospital.

The English Royal Colleges and the Scottish Corporations are co-operating, and Dr. F. M. B. Allen, Honorary Secretary of the Northern Ireland Branch of the British Medical Association is among the members.

The Medical Women's Federation is represented.

The British Ministry of Health and the Department of Health for Scotland have been invited to appoint observers.

Commenting on the appointment, the *British Medical Journal* says:—"The British Medical Association now proposes to prepare for the return of peace so that medicine may be ready to meet its responsibilities."

Eighty-four houses suffered damage to a varying extent, as the result of the bombs which fell in Sandycove recently, according to a report compiled for the Dun Laoghaire Corporation.

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